

By the Committee on Criminal Justice Appropriations and Representative Villalobos

1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to trust funds; creating the
3 Inmate Welfare Trust Fund within the Department
4 of Corrections; providing for purposes and
5 sources of funds; providing for annual
6 carryforward of funds; providing for future
7 review and termination or re-creation of the
8 trust fund; providing an effective date.

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10 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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12 Section 1. (1) There is hereby created in the
13 Department of Corrections the Inmate Welfare Trust Fund. The
14 purpose of the trust fund shall be the benefit and welfare of
15 inmates incarcerated in correctional facilities operated by
16 the department. Moneys shall be deposited in the trust fund
17 and expenditures made from the trust fund as provided in s.
18 945.215, Florida Statutes.

19 (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of s. 216.301 and
20 pursuant to s. 216.351, Florida Statutes, any balance in the
21 trust fund at the end of any fiscal year shall remain in the
22 trust fund at the end of the year and shall be available for
23 carrying out the purposes of the trust fund.

24 (3) Pursuant to the provisions of s. 19(f)(2), Art.
25 III of the State Constitution, the trust fund shall, unless
26 terminated sooner, be terminated on July 1, 2002. However,
27 prior to its scheduled termination, the trust fund shall be
28 reviewed as provided in s. 215.3206(1) and (2), Florida
29 Statutes.

30 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1 of the
31 year in which enacted.

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HOUSE SUMMARY

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