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**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
COMMITTEE ON
EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS
TRUST FUND RE-CREATION ANALYSIS**

BILL #: HB 1173 (PCB ED 99-06)

RELATING TO: Re-creating the Sophomore Level Test Trust Fund

SPONSOR(S): Education Appropriations Committee

COMPANION BILL(S):

ORIGINATING COMMITTEE(S)/COMMITTEE(S) OF REFERENCE:

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I. SUMMARY:

This legislation re-creates the Sophomore Level Test Trust Fund without modification, effective November 4, 2000. The Sophomore Level Test Trust Fund, FLAIR #482646 is administered by the Department of Education. This fund was re-created effective November 4, 1996, by Chapter 95-104, LOF.

II. SUBSTANTIVE ANALYSIS:

A. PRESENT SITUATION:

1. MAJOR STATUTES THAT CONTROL THE TRUST FUND:

Section 240.107, F.S., requires the State Board of Education to establish fees for the administration of the College Level Academic Skills Test to private postsecondary students and for the administration of the examination at times other than regularly scheduled dates to accommodate examinees who are unable to be tested on those dates.

2. BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE FUND'S USES OR PURPOSES:

Fees collected are used for contracts for the continued development, maintenance, and administration of the College Level Academic Skills Test (CLAST).

3. MAJOR SOURCES OF REVENUE FOR THE FUND:

The major sources of revenue for the Sophomore Level Test Trust Fund are fees paid by (1) private postsecondary students who take the exam and (2) students taking the exam at times other than the regularly scheduled dates. According to Comptroller data, receipts to this fund for FY 1997-98 were \$326,666.

B. EFFECT OF PROPOSED CHANGES:

This bill re-creates the trust fund without modification.

C. STATUTE(S) AFFECTED:

None.

III. FISCAL ANALYSIS & ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT:

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This legislation has no fiscal impact on state agencies or state funds, on local governments as a whole or on the private sector. It simply re-creates, without modification, an existing state trust fund and continues the current use of the fund.

IV. COMMENTS:

N/A

V. AMENDMENTS OR COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE CHANGES:

N/A

VI. SIGNATURES:

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