HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES COMMITTEE ON GENERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS FINAL TRUST FUND RE-CREATION ANALYSIS

BILL #: HB 1245

RELATING TO: Re-creating the Incidental Trust Fund

SPONSOR(S): Committee on General Government Appropriations

COMPANION BILL(S):

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

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I. FINAL ACTION STATUS:

HB 1245 passed the House on March 9, 1999, and passed the Senate on March 16, 1999. The bill was approved by the Governor and became law April 6, 1999 (Chapter 99-58, Laws of Florida).

II. SUMMARY:

This legislation re-creates the Incidental Trust Fund without modification, effective November 4, 2000. The Incidental Trust Fund, FLAIR #42-2-381, is administered by the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services. This fund was last re-created effective November 4, 1996, by Chapter 95-57, Laws of Florida.

III. SUBSTANTIVE ANALYSIS:

- A. PRESENT SITUATION:
 - 1. MAJOR STATUTES THAT CONTROL THE TRUST FUND:

Sections 589.011, 589.11, 589.31, 590.02, and 590.14, F.S., provide for the collection, deposit, and expenditure of funds for this trust fund.

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

The continuation of the Incidental Trust Fund will provide a fund to account for the revenues and expenditures unique to the Division of Forestry. This trust fund provides partial funding for critical state programs such as fire control and forest management.

3. MAJOR SOURCES OF REVENUE FOR THE FUND:

The major sources of revenue for this fund are various fees and proceeds from the sale of nursery products pursuant to Chapter 589, F.S. According to Comptroller data, receipts to this fund for FY 1997-98 were \$19.6 million.

B. EFFECT OF PROPOSED CHANGES:

This bill re-creates the trust fund without modification.

C. STATUTE(S) AFFECTED:

None.

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IV. FISCAL ANALYSIS & ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT:

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.

V. COMMENTS:

None.

VI. AMENDMENTS OR COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE CHANGES:

None.

VII. <u>SIGNATURES</u>:

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