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

BILL #: HB 1279 (PCB GG 99-24)

**RELATING TO:** Re-creating the National Forest Trust Fund

**SPONSOR(S)**: Committee on General Government Appropriations

## COMPANION BILL(S):

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

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## I. SUMMARY:

This legislation re-creates the National Forest Trust Fund without modification, effective November 4, 2000. The National Forest Trust Fund, FLAIR #44-2-307, is administered by the Department of Banking and Finance. This fund was last re-created effective November 4, 1996, by Chapter 95-72, Laws of Florida.

## II. SUBSTANTIVE ANALYSIS:

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

Section 215.551, F.S. creates the trust fund and provides for distribution to counties.

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

The fund apportions disbursements to each appropriate county equal to the percentage of federal land use.

3. MAJOR SOURCES OF REVENUE FOR THE FUND:

The major source of revenue for the fund is federal distribution of revenue generated from national forests. According to Comptroller data, receipts to this fund for FY 1997-98 were \$2.2 million.

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:

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.

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IV. COMMENTS:

None.

# V. AMENDMENTS OR COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE CHANGES:

None.

VI. <u>SIGNATURES</u>:

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