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

BILL #: HB 1291
RELATING TO: Re-creating the Preeed Funeral Contract Consumer Protection 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 1291 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 99-80, Laws of Florida).

II. SUMMARY:

This legislation re-creates the Preeed Funeral Contract Consumer Protection Trust Fund without modification, effective November 4, 2000. The Preeed Funeral Contract Consumer Protection Trust Fund, FLAIR #44-2-536, is administered by the Department of Banking and Finance. This fund was last re-created effective November 4, 1996, by Chapter 95-81, Laws of Florida.

III. SUBSTANTIVE ANALYSIS:

A. PRESENT SITUATION:

1. MAJOR STATUTES THAT CONTROL THE TRUST FUND:

Section 497.413, F.S., creates the trust fund and provides a revenue source.

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

The fund regulates pre-need funeral contracts and reimburses persons for failed pre-need funeral contracts.

3. MAJOR SOURCES OF REVENUE FOR THE FUND:

The major sources of revenue for the fund are pre-need funeral contract fees and license fees for selling pre-need funeral and cemetery services. According to Comptroller data, receipts to this fund for FY 1997-98 were \$211,156.

B. EFFECT OF PROPOSED CHANGES:

This bill re-creates the trust fund without modification.

C. STATUTE(S) AFFECTED:

None.

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. SIGNATURES:

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