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

BILL #: HB 1293

**RELATING TO:** Re-creating the Securities Guaranty 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 1293 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 99-81, Laws of Florida).

II. SUMMARY:

This legislation re-creates the Securities Guaranty Trust Fund without modification, effective November 4, 2000. The Securities Guaranty Trust Fund, FLAIR #44-2-626, is administered by the Department of Banking and Finance. This fund was last re-created effective November 4, 1996, by Chapter 95-76, Laws of Florida.

#### III. SUBSTANTIVE ANALYSIS:

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

Section 517.131, F.S., creates the trust fund. Sections 517.12, 517.1203 and 517.151, F.S., provide revenue sources for the fund. Sections 517.1204 and 517.141, F.S., provide for payment from the fund.

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

The fund is established to partially reimburse individual investors for damages in securities violations.

3. MAJOR SOURCES OF REVENUE FOR THE FUND:

The major sources of revenue for the fund are licenses and fees from the security dealers and investment advisors. According to Comptroller data, receipts to this fund for FY 1997-98 were \$5.8 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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