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

BILL #: HB 1305

RELATING TO: Re-creating the Professional Regulation 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 1305 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 99-86, Laws of Florida).

II. SUMMARY:

This legislation re-creates the Professional Regulation Trust Fund without modification, effective November 4, 2000. The Professional Regulation Trust Fund, FLAIR #79-2-547, is administered by the Department of Business and Professional Regulation. This fund was last re-created effective November 4, 1996, by Chapter 96-7, Laws of Florida.

III. SUBSTANTIVE ANALYSIS:

A. PRESENT SITUATION:

1. MAJOR STATUTES THAT CONTROL THE TRUST FUND:

Section 455.219, F.S., creates the trust fund. Sections 215.37, 310.131, 462.09, 467.0135, 468.414, 468.435, 468.533, 476.192, and 548.077, F.S. provide revenue sources for the fund. Sections 455.221 and 455.225, F.S., provide for the use of the fund.

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

The fund is used for the regulation of professions and occupations by the Division of Professional Regulation.

3. MAJOR SOURCES OF REVENUE FOR THE FUND:

The major sources of revenue for the fund are licenses, fees, fines, and other charges assessed by the department or each board within the department. According to Comptroller data, receipts to this fund for FY 1997-98 were \$71.2 million.

B. EFFECT OF PROPOSED CHANGES:

This bill re-creates the trust fund without modification.

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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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