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

BILL #: HB 1359
RELATING TO: Re-creating the Grants & Donations 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 1359 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 99-111, Laws of Florida).

II. SUMMARY:

This legislation re-creates the Grants & Donations Trust Fund without modification, effective November 4, 2000. The Grants & Donations Trust Fund, FLAIR #37-2-339, is administered by the Department of Environmental Protection. This fund was last re-created effective November 4, 1996, by Chapter 95-38, Laws of Florida.

III. SUBSTANTIVE ANALYSIS:

A. PRESENT SITUATION:

1. MAJOR STATUTES THAT CONTROL THE TRUST FUND:

Sections 370.023 and 403.1832, F.S. create and provide statutory direction regarding the trust fund.

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

The fund is intended to serve as the depository for federal grants and funds received by the department and to assist in tracking and monitoring the use of federal funds that are not otherwise deposited directly into a separate trust fund. The Grants and Donations Trust Fund is intended to be a broad-based fund from which moneys can be used for various environmental and natural resource program purposes for which the federal funds were intended.

3. MAJOR SOURCES OF REVENUE FOR THE FUND:

The major sources of revenue for the fund are federal grants, donations, and other agency revenues. According to Comptroller data, receipts to this fund for FY 1997-98 were \$74.6 million.

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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