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

BILL #: HB 1365 (PCB GG 99-67)

RELATING TO: Re-creating the Aquatic Plant Control 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 Aquatic Plant Control Trust Fund without modification, effective November 4, 2000. The Aquatic Plant Control Trust Fund, FLAIR #37-2-030, is administered by the Department of Environmental Protection. This fund was last re-created effective November 4, 1996, by Chapter 95-32, Laws of Florida.

II. SUBSTANTIVE ANALYSIS:

A. PRESENT SITUATION:

1. MAJOR STATUTES THAT CONTROL THE TRUST FUND:

Sections 206.606 and 327.28, F.S., provide revenue sources for the fund.
Section 369.252, F.S., provides for the use of the fund.

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

This fund provides for the deposit of designated revenues from the Gas Tax Collection Trust Fund for aquatic plant management, research, and enforcement activities.

3. MAJOR SOURCES OF REVENUE FOR THE FUND:

The major sources of revenue for the fund are gas tax revenues, vessel registration fees, and federal funds. According to Comptroller Data, receipts to this fund for FY 1997-98 were \$28.9 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. SIGNATURES:

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