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

BILL #: HB 1861 (PCB GG 99-96)

RELATING TO: Re-creating the Ecosystem Management & Restoration 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 Ecosystem Management and Restoration Trust Fund without modification effective for the period July 1, 2004 to November 4, 2004 and places it on the standard review cycle. The Ecosystem Management & Restoration trust Fund, FLAIR 37-2-193, is administered by the Department of Environmental Protection.

II. SUBSTANTIVE ANALYSIS:

A. PRESENT SITUATION:

1. MAJOR STATUTES THAT CONTROL THE TRUST FUND:

Section 403.1651, F.S., creates the trust fund.

Sections 161.054, 201.15, 373.129, 373.4137, 373.430, 380.0558, 403.121, and 403.727, F.S., provide sources of revenue for the fund.

Sections 161.091, 161.101, and 373.459, F.S., provide for the uses of the fund.

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

The fund provides for the detailed planning and implementing of programs for the management and restoration of ecosystems.

3. MAJOR SOURCES OF REVENUE FOR THE FUND:

The major sources of revenue for the fund are environmental fees, Department of Transportation mitigation fees, and documentary stamp taxes. According to Comptroller data, receipts to this fund for FY 1997-98 were \$18.7 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:

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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.

IV. COMMENTS:

None.

V. AMENDMENTS OR COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE CHANGES:

None.

VI. SIGNATURES:

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