

# SENATE STAFF ANALYSIS AND ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

(This document is based only on the provisions contained in the legislation as of the latest date listed below.)

BILL: SB 2074

SPONSOR: Senator Casas

SUBJECT: Public Access Data System Trust Fund

DATE: March 6, 1999 REVISED: \_\_\_\_\_

	ANALYST	STAFF DIRECTOR	REFERENCE	ACTION
1.	<u>Hayes</u>	<u>Hadi</u>	<u>FP</u>	<u>Favorable</u>
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## I. Summary:

This bill modifies the Public Access Data System Trust Fund administered by the Department of State to authorize the use of the trust fund for the operations of the department.

This bill substantially amends section 15.09, Florida Statutes.

## II. Present Situation:

Current law restricts the use of the Public Access Data System Trust Fund to purchase information systems and equipment that provide greater public accessibility to the information and records maintained by it.

The use of the trust fund for the operations of the department has been authorized, on an annual basis, by the Implementing Bill for the past few years.

The source of revenue for the trust fund includes: a transfer each fiscal year of an amount equal to 2 percent of all revenues received for the processing of documents, filings, or information requests, from the Department's Divisions of Licensing, Elections, and Corporations; and all public access network revenues collected pursuant to s.1516 or 119.085.

## III. Effect of Proposed Changes:

The bill amends section 15.09(5), F.S., to authorize an additional use of the trust fund for the operations of the department.

**IV. Constitutional Issues:**

## A. Municipality/County Mandates Restrictions:

None.

## B. Public Records/Open Meetings Issues:

None.

## C. Trust Funds Restrictions:

Currently, the trust fund is restricted to be used to purchase information systems and equipment that provide greater public accessibility to the information and records maintained by it.

**V. Economic Impact and Fiscal Note:**

## A. Tax/Fee Issues:

None.

## B. Private Sector Impact:

## C. Government Sector Impact:

The bill authorizes the Department of State to fund a portion of its operations by utilizing the funds available in the Public Access Data Systems Trust Fund.

**VI. Technical Deficiencies:**

None.

**VII. Related Issues:**

None.

**VIII. Amendments:**

None.