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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to trust funds; creating s. 261.11, F.S.; creating the Off-Highway Vehicle Revolving Trust Fund; providing for future review and repeal; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Section 261.11, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

261.11 The Off-Highway Vehicle Revolving Trust Fund.--There is created the Off-Highway Vehicle Revolving Trust Fund to be administered by the Division of Forestry within the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.

(1) The trust fund shall consist of deposits from the following sources:

(a) Fees paid to the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles for the titling and registration of off-highway vehicles.

(b) Revenues and income from any other source required by law or as appropriated by the Legislature to be deposited into the fund.

(c) Donations from private sources.

(d) Interest earned on moneys on deposit in the fund.

(2) Moneys in the trust fund shall be available for recommended allocation by the Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation Advisory Committee and the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services and upon annual appropriation by the Legislature, exclusively for the following:

(a) Implementation of the Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation Program by the Department of Agriculture and

1 Consumer Services which includes personnel and other related  
2 expenses, administrative and operating expenses, expenses  
3 related to safety, training, and rider education programs,  
4 and, if funds are available, acquisition of lands to be  
5 included in the Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation Program's  
6 system of lands and trails and management and maintenance of  
7 such lands.

8 (b) Approved grants to governmental agencies and  
9 entities that wish to provide off-highway vehicle recreation  
10 areas or trails for public use.

11 (c) Matching funds to be used to match off-highway  
12 vehicle recreation grant funds available from other sources,  
13 including, but not limited to, grant funds available pursuant  
14 to the federal Recreational Trails Program.

15 (3) Notwithstanding the provisions of s. 216.301 and  
16 pursuant to s. 216.351, any balance in the trust fund at the  
17 end of any fiscal year shall remain therein and shall be  
18 available for carrying out the purposes of this section and as  
19 otherwise provided by law.

20 (4) Pursuant to the provisions of s. 19(f)(2), Art.  
21 III of the State Constitution, the Off-Highway Vehicle  
22 Revolving Trust Fund, unless terminated sooner, shall be  
23 terminated on July 1, 2003. However, prior to its scheduled  
24 termination, the Off-Highway Vehicle Revolving Trust Fund  
25 shall be reviewed as provided in s. 215.3206(1) and (2).

26 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 1999.

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28 HOUSE SUMMARY

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30 Creates the Off-Highway Vehicle Revolving Trust Fund. See  
31 bill for details.