

By the Committee on Fiscal Policy

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A bill to be entitled
An act relating to the re-creation of the
Ecosystem Management and Restoration Trust Fund
without modification; re-creating the trust
fund; carrying forward current balances and
continuing current sources and uses thereof;
providing an effective date.

WHEREAS, the Legislature wishes to extend the life of
the Ecosystem Management and Restoration Trust Fund, which is
otherwise scheduled to be terminated pursuant to
constitutional mandate, and

WHEREAS, the Legislature has reviewed the trust fund
before its scheduled termination date and has found that it
continues to meet an important public purpose, and

WHEREAS, the Legislature has found that existing public
policy concerning the trust fund sets adequate parameters for
its use, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

Section 1. (1) The Ecosystem Management and
Restoration Trust Fund, FLAIR number 37-2-193, which was
created within the Department of Environmental Protection and
which is to be terminated pursuant to Section 19(f), Article
III of the State Constitution on July 1, 2000, is re-created.

(2) All current balances of the trust fund are carried
forward, and all current sources and uses of the trust fund
are continued.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2000.

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SENATE SUMMARY

Re-creates the Ecosystem Management and Restoration Trust
Fund within the Department of Environmental Protection.