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

BILL #: HB 1285
RELATING TO: Re-creating the Nongame Wildlife Trust Fund
SPONSOR(S): General Government Appropriations, Representative(s) Dockery and others
TIED BILL(S):

ORIGINATING COMMITTEE(S)/COUNCIL(S)/COMMITTEE(S) OF REFERENCE:
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I. SUMMARY:

This legislation re-creates the Nongame Wildlife Trust Fund, Flair #77-2-504, without modification, effective November 4, 2004. The Nongame Wildlife Trust Fund is administered by the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission. This fund was last re-created effective November 4, 2000, by Chapter 97-132, Laws of Florida.

II. SUBSTANTIVE ANALYSIS:

A. PRESENT SITUATION:

1. MAJOR STATUTES THAT CONTROL THE TRUST FUND:

Section 372.991, F.S., creates the trust fund, provides purpose and revenue sources.

Section 320.02(8), F.S., provides for voluntary contribution.

Section 319.32, F.S., provides revenues through a portion of fees for out of state vehicles' certificates of title.

Section 318.21(7), F.S., provides revenues from speeding fines.

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

The Nongame Wildlife Trust Fund provides funding for the documentation of population trends of nongame wildlife and the assessment of wildlife habitats, for the establishment of effective conservation, management, and regulatory programs for nongame wildlife, and for the development of public education programs.

3. MAJOR SOURCES OF REVENUE FOR THE FUND:

The two largest contributors of funds to the Nongame Wildlife Trust Fund are proceeds from speeding tickets and from title registration fees.

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B. EFFECT OF PROPOSED CHANGES:

This bill re-creates the trust fund without modification.

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.

IV. COMMENTS:

N/A

V. AMENDMENTS OR COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE CHANGES:

N/A

VI. SIGNATURES:

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