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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES SELECT COMMITTEE ON SECURITY ANALYSIS

BILL #: HB 119-B

RELATING TO: Domestic Security

Representative Goodlette and others SPONSOR(S):

TIED BILL(S):

ORIGINATING COMMITTEE(S)/COUNCIL(S)/COMMITTEE(S) OF REFERENCE:

SELECT COMMITTEE ON SECURITY (1)

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I. SUMMARY:

The bill appropriates, for the 2001-2002 fiscal year, \$875,000 from the General Revenue Fund to the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services' Division of Animal Industry for construction of a biocontainment facility and upgrading biosafety measures at the Kissimmee Diagnostic Laboratory.

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II. SUBSTANTIVE ANALYSIS:

A. DOES THE BILL SUPPORT THE FOLLOWING PRINCIPLES:

1.	Less Government	Yes []	No []	N/A [x]
2.	Lower Taxes	Yes []	No []	N/A [x]
3.	Individual Freedom	Yes []	No []	N/A [x]
4.	Personal Responsibility	Yes []	No []	N/A [x]
5.	Family Empowerment	Yes []	No []	N/A [x]

For any principle that received a "no" above, please explain:

B. PRESENT SITUATION:

The Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services' animal diagnostic laboratory located in Kissimmee does not currently have a secure biocontainment facility adequate to safely handle agents of bioterrorism. To safely handle such agents, a biosafety level 3 (BL3) is required. Bioterrorism agents include diseases of humans and animals, toxins and chemicals. Certain foreign animal diseases, such as Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD) and Heartwater, could devastate Florida's animal populations and food supply if introduced either by deliberate acts of introduction or by slipping through inspections at the state's numerous international ports of entry.

C. EFFECT OF PROPOSED CHANGES:

For the 2001-2001 fiscal year, the bill appropriates \$875,000 from nonrecurring revenue of the General Revenue Fund to the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services' Division of Animal Industry for construction of a biocontainment facility and upgrade of biosafety measures at the Kissimmee Diagnostic Laboratory.

D. SECTION-BY-SECTION ANALYSIS:

This section need be completed only in the discretion of the Committee.

III. FISCAL ANALYSIS & ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT:

A. FISCAL IMPACT ON STATE GOVERNMENT:

1. Revenues:

N/A

2. Expenditures:

\$875,000 in nonrecurring General Revenue to the Division of Animal Industry of the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Service.

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	B.	FISCAL IMPACT ON LOCAL GOVERNMENTS:		
		1. Revenues:		
		N/A		
		2. Expenditures:		
		N/A		
	C.	DIRECT ECONOMIC IMPACT ON PRIVATE SECTOR:		
		N/A		
	D.	FISCAL COMMENTS:		
		N/A		
IV.	CO	CONSEQUENCES OF ARTICLE VII, SECTION 18 OF THE FLORIDA CONSTITUTION:		
	A.	APPLICABILITY OF THE MANDATES PROVISION:		
		N/A		
	B.	REDUCTION OF REVENUE RAISING AUTHORITY:		
		N/A		
	C.	REDUCTION OF STATE TAX SHARED WITH COUNTIES AND MUNICIPALITIES:		
		N/A		
V.	COI	MMENTS:		
	A.	CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUES:		
		N/A		
	B.	RULE-MAKING AUTHORITY:		
		N/A		
	C.	OTHER COMMENTS:		
		N/A		
VI.	<u>AMI</u>	ENDMENTS OR COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE CHANGES:		
	N/A			

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VII.	SIGNATURES:	ATURES:			
	SELECT COMMITTEE ON SECURITY:				
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