

By Senator Villalobos

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to funds of the Department of
3 Education; amending s. 229.085, F.S.;
4 eliminating provisions exempting funds held in
5 trust for student organizations from
6 requirements governing the deposit and
7 disbursement of funds; eliminating provisions
8 limiting the employment period for certain
9 personnel administering grants or projects;
10 eliminating a provision allowing an employee to
11 retain his or her status as a career service
12 employee if the employee is appointed to a
13 position under the Projects, Contracts, and
14 Grants Trust Fund; providing an effective date.

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

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18 Section 1. Section 229.085, Florida Statutes, as
19 amended by section 31 of chapter 2001-170, Laws of Florida, is
20 amended to read:

21 229.085 Custody of educational funds.--

22 (1) All funds received by the Department of Education
23 shall be deposited in the State Treasury subject to
24 disbursement in such manner and for such purpose as the
25 Legislature may by law provide. ~~However, funds held in trust~~
26 ~~for student organizations which are established and operated~~
27 ~~in conjunction with public school or community college~~
28 ~~programs may, upon approval by the state board, be exempted~~
29 ~~from this section and deposited outside the State Treasury.~~

30 (2) There is created in the Department of Education
31 the Projects, Contracts, and Grants Trust Fund. ~~The personnel~~

1 ~~employed to plan and administer grants or contracts for~~
2 ~~specific projects shall be considered in time-limited~~
3 ~~employment not to exceed the duration of the grant or until~~
4 ~~completion of the project, whichever first occurs. Such~~
5 ~~employees shall not acquire retention rights under the Career~~
6 ~~Service System. Any employee holding permanent career service~~
7 ~~status in a Department of Education position who is appointed~~
8 ~~to a position under the Projects, Contracts, and Grants Trust~~
9 ~~Fund shall retain such permanent status in the career service~~
10 ~~position.~~

11 Section 2. This act shall take effect January 7, 2003.

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14 SENATE SUMMARY

15 Eliminates an exemption for funds held in trust for
16 student organizations by the Department of Education from
17 requirements governing the deposit and disbursement of
18 other department funds. Eliminates a limitation on
19 permanent employment for personnel who administer grants
20 or projects. Eliminates provisions that provide
21 career-service status for employees appointed to a
22 position under the Projects, Contracts, and Grants Trust
23 Fund.

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