HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES STAFF ANALYSIS

BILL #: H1841 Educational Enhancement Trust Fund

SPONSOR(S): Appropriations

TIED BILLS: IDEN./SIM. BILLS:

REFERENCE	ACTION	ANALYST	STAFF DIRECTOR	
1) Appropriations	39 Y, 0 N	Kearney	Hansen	
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SUMMARY ANALYSIS

House Bill 1841 increases the percentage of the gross revenue from the sale of on-line lottery tickets and other revenues that must be used for educational enhancements from 38% to 39%.

The bill requires the Department of the Lottery to transfer 39%, rather than 38%, of on-line ticket sales revenues and other revenues to the Educational Enhancement Trust Fund. Based on the sales projections from the Lottery Revenue Estimating Conference held in February 2003, an additional \$16.7 million would be transferred to education during the 2003-2004 fiscal year.

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FULL ANALYSIS

I. SUBSTANTIVE ANALYSIS

A. DOES THE BILL:

1.	Reduce government?	Yes[]	No[]	N/A[x]
2.	Lower taxes?	Yes[]	No[]	N/A[x]
3.	Expand individual freedom?	Yes[]	No[]	N/A[x]
4.	Increase personal responsibility?	Yes[]	No[]	N/A[x]
5.	Empower families?	Yes[]	No[]	N/A[x]

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

B. EFFECT OF PROPOSED CHANGES:

Currently, at least 50% of gross revenues from the sale of on-line lottery tickets is used for prizes. At least 38% of gross revenues from on-line ticket sales and other earned revenue must be deposited in the Educational Enhancement Trust Fund and the remaining money can be used for administrative expenses. At fiscal year's end, any unencumbered balance in the Administrative Trust Fund is transferred to the Educational Enhancement Trust Fund. Expenditures from the Educational Enhancement Trust Fund must be for educational enhancements. HB 1789, the General Appropriations Act, provides an administrative budget of 10.35%, totaling \$127.6 million.

When the Florida Lottery was launched in 1988, the required deposit to the Educational Enhancement Trust Fund was 35%. The share was increased to 37.5% in 1989 and to 38% in 1990. PCB AP 03-24 increases the required share to the Educational Enhancement Trust Fund to 39%.

C. SECTION DIRECTORY:

- Section 1. Amends s. 24.121, F.S., to increase the share of gross revenues for the sale of on-line lottery tickets to the Educational Enhancement Trust Fund.
- Section 2. Amends s. 1010.70, F.S., to make the parallel change in the section providing for deposits to the Educational Enhancement Trust Fund.
- Section 3. The effective date of the bill is July 1, 2003.

II. FISCAL ANALYSIS & ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

A. FISCAL IMPACT ON STATE GOVERNMENT:

Revenues: No change.

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2. Expenditures:

The share of the gross revenues for the sale of on-line lottery tickets is adjusted so that at least 39% is transferred to the Educational Enhancement Trust Fund at least guarterly. That amount would result in an increase to the Educational Enhancement Trust Fund of \$16.7 million and a decrease of \$16.7 million in the Administrative Trust Fund, which can be used for the cost of operations.

This will expedite transfers rather than delaying to the next fiscal year to transfer excess cash from the Administrative Trust Fund.

- B. FISCAL IMPACT ON LOCAL GOVERNMENTS:
 - 1. Revenues:

School districts would participate in sharing the additional \$16.7 million in available funds during the 2003-2004 fiscal year.

- 2. Expenditures: No change
- C. DIRECT ECONOMIC IMPACT ON PRIVATE SECTOR:
- D. FISCAL COMMENTS:

III. COMMENTS

- A. CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUES:
 - 1. Applicability of Municipality/County Mandates Provision:
 - 2. Other:
- **B. RULE-MAKING AUTHORITY:**
- C. DRAFTING ISSUES OR OTHER COMMENTS:

IV. AMENDMENTS/COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE CHANGES

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