

By the Committee on Appropriations; and Senator Webster

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A bill to be entitled  
An act relating to trust funds; terminating and re-creating the Emergency Response Trust Fund within the Department of Military Affairs without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; repealing s. 250.601(4), F.S., which terminates the trust fund on July 1, 2006; providing an effective date.

WHEREAS, the Legislature wishes to extend the life of the Emergency Response Trust Fund within the Department of Military Affairs, 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 Emergency Response Trust Fund within the Department of Military Affairs, FLAIR number 62-2-087, which is to be terminated pursuant to Section 19(f), Article III of the State Constitution and section 250.601(4), Florida Statutes, on July 1, 2006, unless terminated sooner by law, is terminated on November 4, 2004, and re-created.

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

4           Section 2. Subsection (4) of section 250.601, Florida  
5 Statutes, as created by subsection (4) of section 1 of chapter  
6 2002-167, Laws of Florida, is repealed.

7           Section 3. This act shall take effect November 4,  
8 2004.

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10                           STATEMENT OF SUBSTANTIAL CHANGES CONTAINED IN  
11   COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR  
12   Senate Bill 930

13 This legislation re-creates the Emergency Response Trust Fund,  
14 FLAIR number 62-2-087, which is administered by the Department  
15 of Military Affairs. Re-creation is effective for four years  
beginning on November 4, 2004, the current termination date of  
the fund.