

By Senator Clary

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1                                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the  
3           Ecosystem Management and Restoration Trust Fund  
4           within the Department of Environmental  
5           Protection without modification; carrying  
6           forward current balances and continuing current  
7           sources and uses thereof; providing an  
8           effective date.

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10           WHEREAS, the Legislature wishes to extend the life of  
11           the Ecosystem Management and Restoration Trust Fund within the  
12           Department of Environmental Protection, which is otherwise  
13           scheduled to be terminated pursuant to constitutional mandate,  
14           and

15           WHEREAS, the Legislature has reviewed the trust fund  
16           before its scheduled termination date and has found that it  
17           continues to meet an important public purpose, and

18           WHEREAS, the Legislature has found that existing public  
19           policy concerning the trust fund sets adequate parameters for  
20           its use, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

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24           Section 1. (1) The Ecosystem Management and  
25           Restoration Trust Fund within the Department of Environmental  
26           Protection, FLAIR number 37-2-193, which is to be terminated  
27           pursuant to Section 19(f), Article III of the State  
28           Constitution on July 1, 2004, is re-created.

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

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Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2004.

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SENATE SUMMARY

Re-creates the Ecosystem Management and Restoration Trust Fund within the Department of Environmental Protection.