Florida Senate - 2006

CS for SB 1292

By the Committee on Regulated Industries; and Senator Fasano

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1	A bill to be entitled
2	An act relating to the taxation of alcoholic
3	beverages; amending s. 561.121, F.S.; deleting
4	provisions crediting specified taxes on
5	alcoholic beverages to accounts funding
б	substance abuse programs for children and
7	adolescents; providing for future deletion of a
8	provision providing for payment and credit of
9	alcoholic beverage surcharge funds to the
10	General Revenue Fund to conform; terminating
11	the Children and Adolescents Substance Abuse
12	Trust Fund within the Department of Children
13	and Family Services; providing for disposition
14	of balances in and revenues of such trust fund;
15	amending s. 215.20, F.S.; conforming provisions
16	to the repeal of the trust fund; amending s.
17	561.501, F.S.; deleting a provision imposing a
18	surcharge on alcoholic beverages sold for
19	consumption on the premises; amending s.
20	561.025, F.S., to conform; providing for future
21	repeal of s. 561.501, F.S., relating to the
22	collection of the alcoholic beverage surcharge;
23	providing an appropriation; providing effective
24	dates.
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26	Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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28	Section 1. Subsection (4) of section 561.121, Florida
29	Statutes, is amended to read:
30	561.121 Deposit of revenue
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1	(4) (a) State funds collected pursuant to s. 561.501
2	shall be paid into the State Treasury and credited to the
3	<u>General Revenue Fund.</u> following accounts:
4	1. Twenty seven and two tenths percent of the
5	surcharge on the sale of alcoholic beverages for consumption
6	on premises shall be transferred to the Children and
7	Adolescents Substance Abuse Trust Fund, which shall remain
8	with the Department of Children and Family Services for the
9	purpose of funding programs directed at reducing and
10	eliminating substance abuse problems among children and
11	adolescents.
12	2. The remainder of collections shall be credited to
13	the General Revenue Fund.
14	(b) For the 2004 2005 state fiscal year only, and
15	notwithstanding the provisions of subparagraph (a)1., moneys
16	in the Children and Adolescents Substance Abuse Trust Fund may
17	also be used for the purpose of funding programs directed at
18	reducing and eliminating substance abuse problems among
19	adults. This paragraph expires July 1, 2005.
20	Section 2. Effective July 1, 2007, subsection (4) of
21	section 561.121, Florida Statutes, as amended by this act, is
22	amended to read:
23	561.121 Deposit of revenue
24	(4) State funds collected pursuant to s. 561.501 shall
25	be paid into the State Treasury and credited to the General
26	Revenue Fund.
27	Section 3. <u>(1) The Children and Adolescents Substance</u>
28	Abuse Trust Fund within the Department of Children and Family
29	Services, FLAIR number 60-2-088, is terminated.
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1 (2) The current balance remaining in and all revenues 2 of the trust fund shall be transferred to the General Revenue 3 Fund. 4 (3) The Department of Children and Family Services shall pay any outstanding debts and obligations of the 5 б terminated fund as soon as practicable, and the Chief 7 Financial Officer shall close out and remove the terminated 8 fund from the various state accounting systems using generally accepted accounting principles concerning warrants 9 10 outstanding, assets, and liabilities. Section 4. Paragraph (e) of subsection (4) of section 11 12 215.20, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 13 215.20 Certain income and certain trust funds to contribute to the General Revenue Fund .--14 (4) The income of a revenue nature deposited in the 15 16 following described trust funds, by whatever name designated, 17 is that from which the appropriations authorized by subsection 18 (3) shall be made: (e) Within the Department of Children and Family 19 Services: 20 21 1. The Administrative Trust Fund. 22 2. The Child Welfare Training Trust Fund. 23 3. The Children and Adolescents Substance Abuse Trust 2.4 Fund. 3.4. The Domestic Violence Trust Fund. 25 26 4.5. The Grants and Donations Trust Fund. 27 5.6. The Operations and Maintenance Trust Fund. 2.8 29 The enumeration of the foregoing moneys or trust funds shall not prohibit the applicability thereto of s. 215.24 should the 30 Governor determine that for the reasons mentioned in s. 215.24 31 3

1 the money or trust funds should be exempt herefrom, as it is 2 the purpose of this law to exempt income from its force and effect when, by the operation of this law, federal matching 3 funds or contributions or private grants to any trust fund 4 would be lost to the state. 5 б Section 5. Section 561.501, Florida Statutes, is 7 amended to read: 8 561.501 Surcharge on sale of alcoholic beverages for 9 consumption on the premises; penalty .--10 (1) Notwithstanding s. 561.50 or any other provision the Beverage Law, a surcharge of 3.34 cents is imposed upon 11 of 12 each ounce of liquor and each 4 ounces of wine, a surcharge of 13 2 cents is imposed on each 12 ounces of cider, and a surcharge of 1.34 cents is imposed on each 12 ounces of beer sold at 14 15 retail for consumption on premises licensed by the division as 16 an alcoholic beverage vendor. However, the surcharges imposed 17 under this subsection need not be paid upon such beverages 18 when they are sold by an organization that is licensed by the division under s. 561.422 or s. 565.02(4) as an alcoholic 19 beverage vendor and that is determined by the Internal Revenue 20 21 Service to be currently exempt from federal income tax under 22 501(c)(3), (4), (5), (6), (7), (8), or (19) of the Internal 23 Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. (1) (2) The vendor shall report and remit payments to 2.4 the division each month by the 15th of the month following the 25 26 month in which the surcharges are imposed. For purposes of 27 compensating the retailer for the keeping of prescribed 2.8 records and the proper accounting and remitting of surcharges imposed under this section, the retailer shall be allowed to 29 deduct from the payment due the state 1 percent of the amount 30 of the surcharge due. Retail records shall be kept on the 31

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1 quantities of all liquor, wine, and beer purchased, inventories, and sales. However, a collection allowance is not 2 allowed on any collections that are not timely remitted. If by 3 the 20th of the month following the month in which the 4 surcharges are imposed, reports and remittances are not made, 5 6 the division shall assess a late penalty in the amount of 10 7 percent of the amount due per month for each 30 days, or 8 fraction thereof, after the 20th of the month, not to exceed a 9 total penalty of 50 percent, in the aggregate, of any unpaid surcharges. The division shall establish, by rule, the 10 required reporting, collection, and accounting procedures. 11 12 Records must be maintained for 3 years. Failure to accurately 13 and timely remit surcharges imposed under this section is a violation of the Beverage Law. 14 (2)(3)(a) The division may compromise a taxpayer's 15 liability for the surcharge imposed by this section upon the 16 17 grounds of doubt as to liability for or collectibility of such 18 tax. A taxpayer's liability for penalties as prescribed by this section may be settled or compromised if the division 19 finds that the noncompliance is due to reasonable cause and 20 21 not to willful negligence, willful neglect, or fraud. The 22 division shall maintain records of all compromises, and the 23 records must state the basis for the compromise. (b) The division may enter into agreements for 2.4 scheduling payments of taxes, interest, and penalties 25 26 prescribed in this section. 27 (c) The division shall establish by rule guidelines 2.8 and procedures for administering this section. 29 (3)(4) If any vendor fails to remit the surcharge, or any portion thereof, by the 20th of the month following the 30 month in which the surcharges are imposed, there shall be 31 5

1 added to the amount due interest at the rate of 1 percent per 2 month of the amount due from the date due until paid. Interest on the delinquent tax shall be calculated beginning on the 3 21st day of the month following the month for which the 4 5 surcharge is due. б (4) (5) All penalties and interest imposed by this 7 section are payable to and collectible by the division in the 8 same manner as if they were a part of the tax imposed. The 9 division may settle or compromise any such interest or penalty under paragraph(2)(a)(3)(a). 10 Section 6. Section 561.025, Florida Statutes, is 11 12 amended to read: 13 561.025 Alcoholic Beverage and Tobacco Trust Fund.--There is created within the State Treasury the 14 Alcoholic Beverage and Tobacco Trust Fund. All funds collected 15 by the division under ss. 210.15, 210.40, or under s. 569.003 16 17 and the Beverage Law with the exception of state funds collected pursuant to ss. 561.501, 563.05, 564.06, and 565.12 18 shall be deposited in the State Treasury to the credit of the 19 trust fund, notwithstanding any other provision of law to the 20 21 contrary. Moneys deposited to the credit of the trust fund 22 shall be used to operate the division and to provide a 23 proportionate share of the operation of the office of the secretary and the Division of Administration of the Department 2.4 of Business and Professional Regulation; except that: 25 (1) The revenue transfer provisions of ss. 561.32 and 26 27 561.342(1) and (2) shall continue in full force and effect, 2.8 and the division shall cause such revenue to be returned to 29 the municipality or county in the manner provided for in s. 561.32 or s. 561.342(1) and (2); and 30 31

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1 (2) Ten percent of the revenues derived from retail 2 tobacco products dealer permit fees collected under s. 569.003 3 shall be transferred to the Department of Education to provide 4 for teacher training and for research and evaluation to reduce 5 and prevent the use of tobacco products by children. 6 Section 7. Effective July 1, 2007, section 561.501, 7 Florida Statutes, is repealed. Section 8. The sum of \$11,298,205 is appropriated from 8 the General Revenue Fund to the Department of Children and 9 Family Services for purposes of reducing or eliminating 10 substance abuse in children and adolescents. 11 12 Section 9. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this act, this act shall take effect July 1, 2006. 13 14 STATEMENT OF SUBSTANTIAL CHANGES CONTAINED IN 15 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR <u>Senate Bil</u>l 1292 16 17 18 The CS references the Florida Accounting Information Resource System (FLAIR) accounting number 60-2-088 for the terminated Children and Adolescents Substance Abuse Trust Fund with the 19 Department of Children and Family Services. 20 The CS transfers the balance of the trust fund to the General Revenue Fund rather than the Alcohol, Drug Abuse, and Mental 21 Health Trust Fund in the department. 22 The CS amends s. 561.501, F.S., to correct a cross reference. 23 It also amends s. 561.025, F.S., to correct a cross reference. The CS appropriates \$11,289,205 from the General Revenue Fund 2.4 to the Department of Children and Family Services for purposes 25 of reducing or eliminating substance abuse in children and adolescents. 26 27 2.8 29 30 31