

**The Florida Senate**  
**BILL ANALYSIS AND FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

(This document is based on the provisions contained in the legislation as of the latest date listed below.)

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BILL: PCS/SB 1788

INTRODUCER: For consideration by the Criminal and Civil Justice Appropriations Committee

SUBJECT: Trust Funds

DATE: March 25, 2008

REVISED: \_\_\_\_\_

	ANALYST	STAFF DIRECTOR	REFERENCE	ACTION
1.	Hendon	Sadberry	JA	<b>Pre-meeting</b>
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**I. Summary:**

This bill creates the Indigent Civil Defense Trust Fund for use by the offices of criminal conflict and civil regional counsel as provided in s. 27.511, F.S.

This bill creates an unnumbered section of the Florida Statutes.

**II. Present Situation:**

The offices of criminal conflict and civil regional counsel are currently funded by general revenue. The office has access to the Indigent Criminal Defense Trust Fund, but no funds are appropriated from this fund in the current fiscal year.

**III. Effect of Proposed Changes:**

This bill creates Indigent Civil Defense Trust Fund for use by the offices of criminal conflict and civil regional counsel as provided in s. 27.511, F.S.

**IV. Constitutional Issues:**

A. Municipality/County Mandates Restrictions:

None.

B. Public Records/Open Meetings Issues:

None.

C. Trust Funds Restrictions:

The Florida Constitution requires a 3/5s vote by the legislature to create a new trust fund.

**V. Fiscal Impact Statement:**

A. Tax/Fee Issues:

None.

B. Private Sector Impact:

None.

C. Government Sector Impact:

The offices of criminal conflict and civil regional counsel will have a trust fund.  
Legislation offered in the Senate will provide a revenue source for this newly created trust fund.

**VI. Technical Deficiencies:**

None.

**VII. Related Issues:**

None.

**VIII. Additional Information:**

A. Committee Substitute – Statement of Substantial Changes:

(Summarizing differences between the Committee Substitute and the prior version of the bill.)

None.

B. Amendments:

None.