

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.)

Prepared By: The Professional Staff of the Criminal and Civil Justice Appropriations Committee

BILL: CS/SB 1788

INTRODUCER: Criminal and Civil Justice Appropriations Committee and Senator Crist

SUBJECT: Trust Funds

DATE: April 2, 2008

REVISED: _____

	ANALYST	STAFF DIRECTOR	REFERENCE	ACTION
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Please see Section VIII. for Additional Information:

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| A. COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE..... | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Statement of Substantial Changes |
| B. AMENDMENTS..... | <input type="checkbox"/> | Technical amendments were recommended |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> | Amendments were recommended |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> | Significant amendments were recommended |

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 new 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.)

CS by Criminal and Civil Justice on April 2, 2008:

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B. Amendments:

None.

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