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Proposed Committee Substitute by the Committee on Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations

A bill to be entitled

An act implementing the 2008-2009 General Appropriations Act; providing legislative intent; reenacting s. 215.32(2)(b), F.S., relating to the source and use of certain trust funds in order to implement the transfer of moneys to the General Revenue Fund from trust funds in the 2008-2009 General Appropriations Act; amending s. 253.034, F.S.; delaying the expiration of provisions authorizing the deposit of funds from the sale of property located in Palm Beach County into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles; amending s. 320.08058, F.S.; delaying the expiration of provisions authorizing proceeds from the Professional Sports Development Trust Fund to be used for operational expenses of the Florida Sports Foundation and financial support of the Sunshine State Games; amending s. 339.135, F.S.; delaying the expiration of provisions requiring the Department of Transportation to transfer funds to the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development for the purpose of funding economic development transportation projects; amending s. 553.721, F.S.; providing for the proceeds from the surcharge collected by the Department of Community Affairs on building additions and renovations to be used to fund regional planning councils, civil legal assistance, and the Front Porch Florida Initiative; providing for the effect of a veto of one or more specific appropriations or



proviso provisions to which implementing language refers; providing for the continued operation of certain provisions notwithstanding a future repeal or expiration provided by the act; providing for severability; providing for contingent retroactive application; providing effective dates.

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

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It is the intent of the Legislature that the implementing and administering provisions of this act apply to the act making appropriations for the 2008-2009 fiscal year.

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Section 2. In order to implement the transfer of moneys to the General Revenue Fund from trust funds in the 2008-2009 General Appropriations Act, paragraph (b) of subsection (2) of section 215.32, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

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215.32 State funds; segregation. --

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The source and use of each of these funds shall be as follows:

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The trust funds shall consist of moneys received by the state which under law or under trust agreement are segregated for a purpose authorized by law. The state agency or branch of state government receiving or collecting such moneys shall be responsible for their proper expenditure as provided by law. Upon the request of the state agency or branch of state government responsible for the administration of the trust fund, the Chief Financial Officer may establish accounts within the trust fund at a level considered necessary for proper accountability. Once an account is established within a trust fund, the Chief Financial

Officer may authorize payment from that account only upon



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determining that there is sufficient cash and releases at the level of the account.

- In addition to other trust funds created by law, to the extent possible, each agency shall use the following trust funds as described in this subparagraph for day-to-day operations:
- Operations or operating trust fund, for use as a depository for funds to be used for program operations funded by program revenues, with the exception of administrative activities when the operations or operating trust fund is a proprietary fund.
- Operations and maintenance trust fund, for use as a depository for client services funded by third-party payors.
- Administrative trust fund, for use as a depository for funds to be used for management activities that are departmental in nature and funded by indirect cost earnings and assessments against trust funds. Proprietary funds are excluded from the requirement of using an administrative trust fund.
- d. Grants and donations trust fund, for use as a depository for funds to be used for allowable grant or donor agreement activities funded by restricted contractual revenue from private and public nonfederal sources.
- Agency working capital trust fund, for use as a depository for funds to be used pursuant to s. 216.272.
- Clearing funds trust fund, for use as a depository for funds to account for collections pending distribution to lawful recipients.
- Federal grant trust fund, for use as a depository for funds to be used for allowable grant activities funded by restricted program revenues from federal sources.



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To the extent possible, each agency must adjust its internal accounting to use existing trust funds consistent with the requirements of this subparagraph. If an agency does not have trust funds listed in this subparagraph and cannot make such adjustment, the agency must recommend the creation of the necessary trust funds to the Legislature no later than the next scheduled review of the agency's trust funds pursuant to s. 215.3206.

- 3. All such moneys are hereby appropriated to be expended in accordance with the law or trust agreement under which they were received, subject always to the provisions of chapter 216 relating to the appropriation of funds and to the applicable laws relating to the deposit or expenditure of moneys in the State Treasury.
- 4.a. Notwithstanding any provision of law restricting the use of trust funds to specific purposes, unappropriated cash balances from selected trust funds may be authorized by the Legislature for transfer to the Budget Stabilization Fund and General Revenue Fund in the General Appropriations Act.
- This subparagraph does not apply to trust funds required by federal programs or mandates; trust funds established for bond covenants, indentures, or resolutions whose revenues are legally pledged by the state or public body to meet debt service or other financial requirements of any debt obligations of the state or any public body; the State Transportation Trust Fund; the trust fund containing the net annual proceeds from the Florida Education Lotteries; the Florida Retirement System Trust Fund; trust funds under the management of the State Board of Education or the Board of Governors of the State University System, where such trust funds are for auxiliary enterprises, self-insurance,



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and contracts, grants, and donations, as those terms are defined by general law; trust funds that serve as clearing funds or accounts for the Chief Financial Officer or state agencies; trust funds that account for assets held by the state in a trustee capacity as an agent or fiduciary for individuals, private organizations, or other governmental units; and other trust funds authorized by the State Constitution.

Section 3. In order to implement Section 9 of the 2008-2009 General Appropriations Act, subsection (13) of section 253.034, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

253.034 State-owned lands; uses.--

(13) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, funds from the sale of property by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles located in Palm Beach County are authorized to be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund to facilitate the exchange as provided in the General Appropriations Act, provided that at the conclusion of both exchanges the values are equalized. This subsection expires July 1, 2009 2008.

Section 4. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 2638 of the 2008-2009 General Appropriations Act, paragraph (b) of subsection (9) of section 320.08058, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

320.08058 Specialty license plates.--

- FLORIDA PROFESSIONAL SPORTS TEAM LICENSE PLATES .--
- The license plate annual use fees are to be annually distributed as follows:
- Fifty-five percent of the proceeds from the Florida Professional Sports Team plate must be deposited into the Professional Sports Development Trust Fund within the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development. These funds must be



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used solely to attract and support major sports events in this state. As used in this subparagraph, the term "major sports events" means, but is not limited to, championship or all-star contests of Major League Baseball, the National Basketball Association, the National Football League, the National Hockey League, the men's and women's National Collegiate Athletic Association Final Four basketball championship, or a horseracing or dogracing Breeders' Cup. All funds must be used to support and promote major sporting events, and the uses must be approved by the Florida Sports Foundation.

The remaining proceeds of the Florida Professional Sports Team license plate must be allocated to the Florida Sports Foundation, a direct-support organization of the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development. These funds must be deposited into the Professional Sports Development Trust Fund within the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development. These funds must be used by the Florida Sports Foundation to promote the economic development of the sports industry; to distribute licensing and royalty fees to participating professional sports teams; to promote education programs in Florida schools that provide an awareness of the benefits of physical activity and nutrition standards; to partner with the Department of Education and the Department of Health to develop a program that recognizes schools whose students demonstrate excellent physical fitness or fitness improvement; to institute a grant program for communities bidding on minor sporting events that create an economic impact for the state; to distribute funds to Florida-based charities designated by the Florida Sports Foundation and the participating professional sports teams; and



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to fulfill the sports promotion responsibilities of the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development.

- 3. The Florida Sports Foundation shall provide an annual financial audit in accordance with s. 215.981 of its financial accounts and records by an independent certified public accountant pursuant to the contract established by the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development as specified in s. 288.1229(5). The auditor shall submit the audit report to the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development for review and approval. If the audit report is approved, the office shall certify the audit report to the Auditor General for review.
- For the 2008-2009 2007-2008 fiscal year only and notwithstanding the provisions of subparagraphs 1. and 2., proceeds from the Professional Sports Development Trust Fund may also be used for operational expenses of the Florida Sports Foundation and financial support of the Sunshine State Games. This subparagraph expires July 1, 2009 2008.

Section 5. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 2115 of the 2008-2009 General Appropriations Act, subsection (5) of section 339.135, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

339.135 Work program; legislative budget request; definitions; preparation, adoption, execution, and amendment .--

(5) (a) ADOPTION OF THE WORK PROGRAM. -- The original approved budget for operational and fixed capital expenditures for the department shall be the Governor's budget recommendation and the first year of the tentative work program, as both are amended by the General Appropriations Act and any other act containing appropriations. In accordance with the appropriations act, the department shall, prior to the beginning of the fiscal year, adopt a final work program which shall only include the original



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approved budget for the department for the ensuing fiscal year together with any roll forwards approved pursuant to paragraph (6)(c) and the portion of the tentative work program for the following 4 fiscal years revised in accordance with the original approved budget for the department for the ensuing fiscal year together with said roll forwards. The adopted work program may include only those projects submitted as part of the tentative work program developed under the provisions of subsection (4) plus any projects which are separately identified by specific appropriation in the General Appropriations Act and any roll forwards approved pursuant to paragraph (6)(c). However, any transportation project of the department which is identified by specific appropriation in the General Appropriations Act shall be deducted from the funds annually distributed to the respective district pursuant to paragraph (4)(a). In addition, the department shall not in any year include any project or allocate funds to a program in the adopted work program that is contrary to existing law for that particular year. Projects shall not be undertaken unless they are listed in the adopted work program.

- Notwithstanding paragraph (a), and for the 2008-2009 2007-2008 fiscal year only, the Department of Transportation shall transfer funds to the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development in an amount equal to \$40 million \$25,400,000 for the purpose of funding economic development transportation projects. This transfer shall not reduce, delete, or defer any existing projects funded, as of July 1, 2008 2007, in the Department of Transportation's 5-year work program. This paragraph expires July 1, 2009 2008.
- Notwithstanding paragraph (a), and for the 2007-2008 fiscal year only, the Department of Transportation shall provide



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funds for the Seaport Strategic Planning and Financing Task Force in an amount not to exceed \$75,000; the preliminary engineering and environmental plans and activities for the construction of an interchange on Suncoast Parkway and Lutz Fern Road in an amount not to exceed \$975,000; the Rehabilitation of Local Bridges in an amount not to exceed \$300,000; and the East Winterberry Bridge Replacement in an amount not to exceed \$500,000. To fund these specific appropriations, the Department of Transportation shall not reduce, delete, or defer any existing projects funded as of July 1, 2007, in the 5-year work program. This paragraph expires July 1, 2008.

In order to implement Specific Appropriations Section 6. 1511, 1586, and 1606A and section 10 of the 2008-2009 General Appropriations Act, section 553.721, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

553.721 Surcharge.--

(1) In order for the Department of Community Affairs to administer and carry out the purposes of this part and related activities, there is hereby created a surcharge, to be assessed at the rate of one-half cent per square foot under-roof floor space permitted pursuant to s. 125.56(4) or s. 166.201. However, for additions, alterations, or renovations to existing buildings, the surcharge shall be computed on the basis of the square footage being added, altered, or renovated. The unit of government responsible for collecting a permit fee pursuant to s. 125.56(4) or s. 166.201 shall collect such surcharge and remit the funds collected to the department on a quarterly calendar basis, and such unit of government may retain an amount up to 5 percent of the surcharge collected to cover costs associated with the collection and remittance of such surcharge. All funds



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remitted to the department pursuant to this subsection shall be deposited in the Operating Trust Fund. Funds collected from such surcharge shall not be used to fund research on techniques for mitigation of radon in existing buildings. Funds used by the department as well as funds to be transferred to the Department of Health shall be as prescribed in the annual General Appropriations Act. The department shall adopt rules governing the collection and remittance of surcharges in accordance with chapter 120.

(2) Notwithstanding subsection (1), and for the 2008-2009 fiscal year only, the amount transferred from the Operating Trust Fund to the Grants and Donations Trust Fund of the Department of Community Affairs pursuant to the General Appropriations Act for the 2008-2009 fiscal year shall be used for the regional planning councils, civil legal assistance, and the Front Porch Florida Initiative.

Section 7. Any section of this act which implements a specific appropriation or specifically identified proviso language in the act making appropriations for the 2008-2009 fiscal year is void if the specific appropriation or specifically identified proviso language is vetoed. Any section of this act which implements more than one specific appropriation or more than one portion of specifically identified proviso language in the act making appropriations for the 2008-2009 fiscal year is void if all the specific appropriations or portions of specifically identified proviso language are vetoed.

Section 8. If any other act passed in 2008 contains a provision that is substantively the same as a provision in this act, but that removes or is otherwise not subject to the future repeal applied to such provision by this act, the Legislature



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intends that the provision in the other act shall take precedence and shall continue to operate, notwithstanding the future repeal provided by this act.

Section 9. If any provision of this act or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this act are severable.

Section 10. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this act, this act shall take effect July 1, 2008; or, if this act fails to become law until after that date, it shall take effect upon becoming a law and shall operate retroactively to July 1, 2008.