

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 Health and Human Services Appropriations Committee

BILL: SB 2118

INTRODUCER: Senator Peaden

SUBJECT: Welfare Transition Trust Fund/Department of Health

DATE: March 12, 2008

REVISED: _____

	ANALYST	STAFF DIRECTOR	REFERENCE	ACTION
1.	Fabricant	Peters	HA	Favorable
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I. Summary:

This bill re-creates the Department of Health Welfare Transition Trust Fund, FLAIR #64-2-401, without modification effective July 1, 2008. This fund was created effective July 1, 2004, by chapter 2004-363, Laws of Florida.

This bill re-creates section 20.435, Florida Statutes.

II. Present Situation:

Section 19(f), Article III of the State Constitution requires that every trust fund be created or re-created by a three-fifths vote of the membership in each house of the Legislature in a separate bill for the sole purpose of creating that trust fund. The Constitution also provides that all newly created trust funds terminate not more than four years after the initial creation unless re-created.

The fund receives federal funds under the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Block Grant Program. Funds are used to provide services to individuals eligible for Temporary Assistance for Needy Families pursuant to the requirements and limitations of part A of Title IV of the Social Security Act.

III. Effect of Proposed Changes:

This bill re-creates the trust fund without modification and repeals the scheduled termination date.

IV. Constitutional Issues:

A. Municipality/County Mandates Restrictions:

None.

B. Public Records/Open Meetings Issues:

None.

C. Trust Funds Restrictions:

None.

V. Fiscal Impact Statement:

A. Tax/Fee Issues:

None.

B. Private Sector Impact:

None.

C. Government Sector Impact:

None.

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.