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1 A bill to be entitled

2 An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Welfare
3 Transition Trust Fund within the Department of Health
4 without modification; carrying forward current balances
5 and continuing current sources and uses thereof; amending
6 s. 20.435, F.S.; removing the scheduled termination of the
7 trust fund; providing an effective date.

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9 WHEREAS, the Legislature wishes to extend the life of the
10 Welfare Transition Trust Fund within the Department of Health,
11 which is otherwise scheduled to be terminated pursuant to
12 constitutional mandate, and

13 WHEREAS, the Legislature has reviewed the trust fund before
14 its scheduled termination date and has found that it continues to
15 meet an important public purpose, and

16 WHEREAS, the Legislature has found that existing public
17 policy concerning the trust fund sets adequate parameters for its
18 use, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

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22 Section 1. (1) The Welfare Transition Trust Fund within
23 the Department of Health, FLAIR number 64-2-401, which is to be
24 terminated pursuant to Section 19(f), Article III of the State
25 Constitution on July 1, 2008, is re-created.

26 (2) All current balances of the trust fund are carried
27 forward, and all current sources and uses of the trust fund are
28 continued.

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29 Section 2. Paragraph (i) of subsection (1) of section
30 20.435, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

31 20.435 Department of Health; trust funds.--

32 (1) The following trust funds are hereby created, to be
33 administered by the Department of Health:

34 (i) Welfare Transition Trust Fund.

35 ~~1.~~ The Welfare Transition Trust Fund is created within the
36 Department of Health for the purposes of receiving federal funds
37 under the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program. Trust
38 fund moneys shall be used exclusively for the purpose of
39 providing services to individuals eligible for Temporary
40 Assistance for Needy Families pursuant to the requirements and
41 limitations of part A of Title IV of the Social Security Act, as
42 amended, or any other applicable federal requirement or
43 limitation. Funds credited to the trust fund consist of those
44 funds collected from the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families
45 Block Grant.

46 ~~2. In accordance with s. 19(f)(2), Art. III of the State~~
47 ~~Constitution, the Welfare Transition Trust Fund shall be~~
48 ~~terminated on July 1, 2008, unless terminated sooner. Before its~~
49 ~~scheduled termination, the trust fund shall be reviewed as~~
50 ~~provided in s. 215.3206(1) and (2).~~

51 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2008.