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An act relating to distribution of proceeds from excise taxes on documents; amending s. 201.15, F.S.; removing a limitation on the amount of such proceeds which may be deposited into the State Housing Trust Fund on or after a specified date; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Subsections (9), (10), (13), (15), and (16) of section 201.15, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

201.15 Distribution of taxes collected.--All taxes

collected under this chapter are subject to the service charge imposed in s. 215.20(1). Prior to distribution under this section, the Department of Revenue shall deduct amounts necessary to pay the costs of the collection and enforcement of the tax levied by this chapter. Such costs and the service charge may not be levied against any portion of taxes pledged to debt service on bonds to the extent that the costs and service charge are required to pay any amounts relating to the bonds.

All taxes remaining after deduction of costs and the service

(9) Seven and fifty-three hundredths The lesser of 7.53
percent of the remaining taxes collected under this chapter or \$107 million in each fiscal year shall be paid into the State Treasury to the credit of the State Housing Trust Fund and shall be used as follows:

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charge shall be distributed as follows:

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(a) Half of that amount shall be used for the purposes for which the State Housing Trust Fund was created and exists by law.

- (b) Half of that amount shall be paid into the State Treasury to the credit of the Local Government Housing Trust Fund and shall be used for the purposes for which the Local Government Housing Trust Fund was created and exists by law.
- (10) Eight and sixty-six hundredths The lesser of 8.66
  percent of the remaining taxes collected under this chapter or \$136 million in each fiscal year shall be paid into the State
  Treasury to the credit of the State Housing Trust Fund and shall be used as follows:
- (a) Twelve and one-half percent of that amount shall be deposited into the State Housing Trust Fund and be expended by the Department of Community Affairs and by the Florida Housing Finance Corporation for the purposes for which the State Housing Trust Fund was created and exists by law.
- (b) Eighty-seven and one-half percent of that amount shall be distributed to the Local Government Housing Trust Fund and shall be used for the purposes for which the Local Government Housing Trust Fund was created and exists by law. Funds from this category may also be used to provide for state and local services to assist the homeless.
- (13) Beginning July 1, 2009 2008, in each fiscal year that the remaining taxes collected under this chapter exceed collections in the prior fiscal year, the stated maximum dollar amounts provided in subsections (2), (4), (6), and (7), (9), and (10) shall each be increased by an amount equal to 10 percent of

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the increase in the remaining taxes collected under this chapter multiplied by the applicable percentage provided in those subsections.

(15) Distributions to the State Housing Trust Fund pursuant to subsections (9) and (10) shall be sufficient to cover amounts required to be transferred to the Florida

Affordable Housing Guarantee Program's annual debt service reserve and guarantee fund pursuant to s. 420.5092(6)(a) and (b) up to but not exceeding the amount required to be transferred to such reserve and fund based on the percentage distribution of documentary stamp tax revenues to the State Housing Trust Fund which is in effect in the 2004-2005 fiscal year.

(15)(16) The remaining taxes collected under this chapter, after the distributions provided in the preceding subsections, shall be paid into the State Treasury to the credit of the General Revenue Fund.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2009.