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1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to the Department of Health; amending s.
 3 154.02, F.S.; providing for additional uses of funds in
 4 the County Health Department Trust Fund; deleting a
 5 provision increasing the emergency reserve each year in
 6 line with increases in the Consumer Price Index; repealing
 7 s. 216.2625, F.S., relating to disbursement of Department
 8 of Health trust funds and appropriation of authorized
 9 positions; providing an effective date.

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

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13 Section 1. Subsections (3), (4), and (5) of section
 14 154.02, Florida Statutes, are renumbered as subsections (4),
 15 (5), and (6), respectively, paragraph (b) of present subsection
 16 (5) is amended, and a new subsection (3) is added to that
 17 section, to read:

18 154.02 County Health Department Trust Fund.--

19 (3) Funds from the County Health Department Trust Fund may
 20 be expended by the Department of Health for the respective
 21 county health departments in accordance with budgets and plans
 22 agreed upon by the county authorities of each county and the
 23 Department of Health.

24 ~~(6) (5)~~ At a minimum, the trust fund shall consist of:

25 (b) An emergency reserve of \$500,000, derived from an
 26 annual assessment on county health department funds based upon
 27 their proportionate share of state general revenue, maintained
 28 for county health departments to respond to public health

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29 | emergencies such as epidemics and natural disasters. ~~The~~
30 | ~~emergency reserve shall be increased each July 1 by the increase~~
31 | ~~in the Consumer Price Index that occurred during the previous 12~~
32 | ~~months.~~

33 | Section 2. Section 216.2625, Florida Statutes, is
34 | repealed.

35 | Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2009.