

LEGISLATIVE ACTION .

Senate Comm: RCS 02/17/2015 House

The Committee on Banking and Insurance (Benacquisto) recommended the following:

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Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete everything after the enacting clause

and insert:

Section 1. Section 1009.988, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

1009.988 Florida ABLE Program Trust Fund.-

(1) The Florida ABLE Program Trust Fund is created within the State Board of Administration.

(2) The Florida ABLE Program Trust Fund shall consist of

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11	appropriations, moneys acquired from other governmental or
12	private sources for the Florida ABLE program, and moneys
13	remitted in accordance with participation agreements. Assets
14	held in the trust fund may be expended only to carry out the
15	purposes of the Florida ABLE program.
16	(a) Any balance in the trust fund at the end of a fiscal
17	year shall remain in the trust fund and shall be available for
18	carrying out the purpose of the Florida ABLE program. Assets
19	held in the trust fund are exempt from the investment
20	requirements of s. 17.57 and may be invested pursuant to s.
21	215.47.
22	(b) Assets held in the trust fund shall be maintained,
23	invested, and expended solely for the purposes of the Florida
24	ABLE program and may not be loaned, transferred, or otherwise
25	used by the state for any purpose other than the Florida ABLE
26	program. This paragraph does not prohibit Florida ABLE, Inc.,
27	from investing in, by purchase or otherwise, bonds, notes, or
28	other obligations of the state or an agency or instrumentality
29	of the state. Unless otherwise specified by Florida ABLE, Inc.,
30	assets held in the trust fund shall be expended in the priority
31	of making payments to, or on behalf of, designated beneficiaries
32	and then paying for the costs of administration and operations
33	for the Florida ABLE program.
34	(3) In accordance with s. 19(f)(2), Art. III of the State
35	Constitution, unless terminated sooner, the Florida ABLE Program
36	Trust Fund shall be terminated 4 years after the effective date
37	of this act. Before its scheduled termination, the trust fund
38	shall be reviewed as provided under s. 215.3206(1) and (2).
39	Section 2. The Division of Law Revision and Information is

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40	directed to replace the phrase "4 years after the effective of
41	this act" where it occurs in this act with the date the act
42	becomes a law.
43	Section 3. This act shall take effect on the same date that
44	SB 642 or similar legislation takes effect, if such legislation
45	is adopted in the same legislative session or an extension
46	thereof and becomes a law.
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49	And the title is amended as follows:
50	Delete everything before the enacting clause
51	and insert:
52	A bill to be entitled
53	An act relating to trust funds; creating s. 1009.988,
54	F.S.; creating the Florida ABLE Program Trust Fund
55	within the State Board of Administration; authorizing
56	sources of funds; specifying the purpose of the trust
57	fund and authorized uses of the assets; providing for
58	future review and termination or re-creation of the
59	trust fund; providing a directive to the Division of
60	Law Revision and Information; providing a contingent
61	effective date.

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