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1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to trust funds; creating s. 16.717,
 3 F.S.; creating the Federal Law Enforcement Trust Fund
 4 within the Florida Gaming Control Commission;
 5 providing for sources of funds and purpose;
 6 authorizing any unexpended balance at a specified time
 7 to remain in such trust fund for certain purpose;
 8 providing for future review and termination or re-
 9 creation of the trust fund; providing an effective
 10 date.

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

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 14 Section 1. Section 16.717, Florida Statutes, is created to
 15 read:

16 16.717 Federal Law Enforcement Trust Fund.—

17 (1) The Federal Law Enforcement Trust Fund is created
 18 within the Florida Gaming Control Commission. The commission may
 19 deposit into the trust fund receipts and revenues received as a
 20 result of federal criminal, administrative, or civil forfeiture
 21 proceedings and receipts and revenues received from federal
 22 asset-sharing programs. Deposited funds may be used for the
 23 operation of the Florida Gaming Control Commission in accordance
 24 with ss. 16.71-16.716. The trust fund is exempt from the service
 25 charges imposed by s. 215.20.

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26 (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of s. 216.301 and
27 pursuant to s. 216.351, any balance in the trust fund at the end
28 of any fiscal year shall remain in the trust fund at the end of
29 the year and shall be available for carrying out the purposes of
30 the trust fund.

31 (3) In accordance with s. 19(f)(2), Art. III of the State
32 Constitution, the Federal Law Enforcement Trust Fund shall,
33 unless terminated sooner, be terminated on July 1, 2028. Before
34 its scheduled termination, the trust fund shall be reviewed as
35 provided in s. 215.3206(1) and (2).

36 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2024.