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The Committee on Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security (Wright) recommended the following:

**Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

Delete lines 51 - 116  
and insert:  
corporation, in consultation with the local public housing  
authority and case managers assigned to veterans by the United  
States Department of Veterans Affairs, shall establish and  
oversee the Vacancy Relief Trust Fund, the Risk Mitigation Trust  
Fund, the applications for such trust funds, the document  
requirements, and all processes of the pilot program.



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(4) (a) A landlord who enters into a rental agreement with an eligible veteran may apply to the corporation to receive funding from the Vacancy Relief Trust Fund created under s. 420.56. The purpose of the Vacancy Relief Trust Fund is to allow a landlord to hold a dwelling unit for a period of time, and still be compensated for the time that the dwelling unit is vacant, until the veteran is able to move in to the dwelling unit. The Vacancy Relief Trust Fund provides proportional rent to eligible landlords for a period of up to 45 days after the date the dwelling unit becomes available or until the actual date that the veteran moves into the dwelling unit, whichever is sooner.

(b) To apply for the Vacancy Relief Trust Fund, a landlord must submit all required documentation to the corporation within 60 days after the veteran moves into the dwelling unit. The case manager assigned to the veteran must assist the corporation by facilitating trust fund requests from landlords and documentation compliance. At a minimum, a landlord must submit to the corporation all of the following:

1. A completed application, as determined by the corporation.

2. The signed rental agreement between the landlord and the veteran.

3. The turnover paperwork for the dwelling unit.

4. A move-in checklist with current photos of the dwelling unit.

5. A copy of the veteran's ledger or other proof, as received by the corporation, that the veteran is eligible for rental assistance under the United States Department of Housing



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and Urban Development - Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing program, as implemented by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs and public housing authorities.

(5)(a) If a veteran moves out of the dwelling unit during the first 12 months of a year-to-year rental agreement or after the expiration of a rental agreement for any duration, the landlord may apply to the corporation to receive funding from the Risk Mitigation Trust Fund created under s. 420.56. The Risk Mitigation Trust Fund is designed to cover property loss at the dwelling unit caused by the veteran which extends beyond the amount of the deposit money. The landlord may apply for up to \$2,000 beyond the deposit money.

(b) To apply for the Risk Mitigation Trust Fund, a landlord must submit all required documentation to the corporation within 60 days after the veteran moves into the dwelling unit. The case manager assigned to the veteran must assist the corporation by facilitating trust fund requests from landlords and documentation compliance. At a minimum, a landlord must submit to the corporation all of the following:

1. A completed application, as determined by the corporation.
2. The signed rental agreement between the landlord and the veteran.
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70 program, as implemented by the United States Department of  
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74 And the title is amended as follows:

75       Delete line 7

76 and insert:

77       Corporation, in consultation with other entities and