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Proposed Committee Substitute by the Committee on Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations

A bill to be entitled

An act implementing the 2007-2008 General Appropriations Act; providing legislative intent; amending s. 320.08058, F.S.; authorizing proceeds from the Professional Sports Development Trust Fund to be used for operational expenses of the Florida Sports Foundation and financial support of the Sunshine State Games; amending s. 253.034, F.S.; authorizing the deposit of funds from the sale of property located in Palm Beach County into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles; amending s. 311.22, F.S.; prescribing the required matching funds for dredging projects that meet specified conditions; extending the period for a local government to apply to the Executive Office of the Governor for a waiver of certain requirements governing matching funding for public assistance projects; providing a finding that the authorization and issuance of certain debt is in the best interest of the state; providing for the effect of a veto of a specific appropriation or proviso to which implementing language refers; providing for the continued operation of certain provisions notwithstanding a future repeal or expiration provided by the act; providing for severability; providing

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

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Section 1. It is the intent of the Legislature that the implementing and administering provisions of this act apply to the General Appropriations Act for the 2007-2008 fiscal year.

Section 2. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 2761 of the 2007-2008 General Appropriations Act, paragraph (b) of subsection (9) of section 320.08058, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

320.08058 Specialty license plates.--

- (9) FLORIDA PROFESSIONAL SPORTS TEAM LICENSE PLATES .--
- (b) The license plate annual use fees are to be annually distributed as follows:
- 1. Fifty-five percent of the proceeds from the Florida Professional Sports Team plate must be deposited into the Professional Sports Development Trust Fund within the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development. These funds must be used solely to attract and support major sports events in this state. As used in this subparagraph, the term "major sports events" means, but is not limited to, championship or all-star contests of Major League Baseball, the National Basketball Association, the National Football League, the National Hockey League, the men's and women's National Collegiate Athletic Association Final Four basketball championship, or a horseracing or dogracing Breeders' Cup. All funds must be used to support and promote major sporting events, and the uses must be approved by the Florida Sports Foundation.
- 2. The remaining proceeds of the Florida Professional 31 | Sports Team license plate must be allocated to the Florida

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Sports Foundation, a direct-support organization of the Office 2 of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development. These funds must 3 be deposited into the Professional Sports Development Trust Fund within the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development. These funds must be used by the Florida Sports 5 Foundation to promote the economic development of the sports 7 industry; to distribute licensing and royalty fees to participating professional sports teams; to promote education 8 9 programs in Florida schools that provide an awareness of the benefits of physical activity and nutrition standards; to 10 11 partner with the Department of Education and the Department of Health to develop a program that recognizes schools whose 12 students demonstrate excellent physical fitness or fitness 13 improvement; to institute a grant program for communities 14 bidding on minor sporting events that create an economic 15 16 impact for the state; to distribute funds to Florida-based charities designated by the Florida Sports Foundation and the 17 18 participating professional sports teams; and to fulfill the 19 sports promotion responsibilities of the Office of Tourism, 20 Trade, and Economic Development.

- 3. The Florida Sports Foundation shall provide an annual financial audit in accordance with s. 215.981 of its financial accounts and records by an independent certified public accountant pursuant to the contract established by the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development as specified in s. 288.1229(5). The auditor shall submit the audit report to the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development for review and approval. If the audit report is approved, the office shall certify the audit report to the Auditor General for review.
  - 4. For the 2007-2008 2006-2007 fiscal year only and

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notwithstanding the provisions of subparagraphs 1. and 2., 2 proceeds from the Professional Sports Development Trust Fund 3 may also be used for operational expenses of the Florida Sports Foundation and financial support of the Sunshine State

Section 3. In order to implement section 10 of the 2007-2008 General Appropriations Act, subsection (13) of section 253.034, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

253.034 State-owned lands; uses.--

Games. This subparagraph expires July 1, 2008 2007.

- (13) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, funds from the sale of property by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles located in Palm Beach County are authorized to be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund to facilitate the exchange as provided in the General Appropriations Act, provided that at the conclusion of both exchanges the values are equalized. This subsection expires July 1, 2008 2007.
- Section 4. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 2188 of the 2007-2008 General Appropriations Act, subsection (3) of section 311.22, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
- 311.22 Additional authorization for funding certain dredging projects.--
- (3) For the 2007-2008 2006-2007 fiscal year only and notwithstanding the matching basis specified in subsection (1), funding for projects in subsection (1) shall require a minimum 25 percent match of funds received pursuant to this section. This subsection expires July 1, 2008 2007.
- Section 5. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 1621AA of the 2007-2008 General Appropriations 31 Act and notwithstanding s. 252.37(5)(b), Florida Statutes,

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1	local governments that failed to apply for a waiver under s.
2	252.37, Florida Statutes, within the first 18 months following
3	the declaration of a disaster resulting from Hurricanes
4	Charley, Frances, Ivan, and Jeanne may submit applications for
5	consideration by the Executive Office of the Governor until
6	January 1, 2008. The Executive Office of the Governor may
7	approve a waiver, subject to the requirement for legislative
8	notice and review under s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, of all
9	or a portion of the required match for public assistance
10	projects for local governments if the Executive Office of the
11	Governor determines that such a match requirement cannot be
12	provided, or that doing so would impose a documented hardship
13	on the local government, and if the local government applies
14	for the waiver by the date specified in this section.
15	Section 6. In order to implement the issuance of new
16	debt authorized in the 2007-2008 General Appropriations Act,
17	and pursuant to the requirements of s. 215.98, Florida
18	Statutes, the Legislature determines that the authorization
19	and issuance of debt for the 2007-2008 fiscal year is in the
20	best interest of the state and should be implemented.
21	Section 7. A section of this act that implements more
22	than one specific appropriation or more than one portion of
23	specifically identified proviso language in the 2007-2008
24	General Appropriations Act is void if all the specific
25	appropriations or portions of specifically identified proviso
26	language are vetoed.
27	Section 8. If any other act passed in 2007 contains a
28	provision that is substantively the same as a provision in
29	this act, but that removes or is otherwise not subject to the
30	future repeal applied to such provision by this act, the
31	Legislature intends that the provision in the other act shall

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take precedence and shall continue to operate, notwithstanding the future repeal provided by this act.

Section 9. If any provision of this act or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this act are severable.

Section 10. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this act, this act shall take effect July 1, 2007; or, if this act fails to become a law until after that date, it shall take effect upon becoming a law and shall operate retroactively to July 1, 2007.