

Committee on Appropriations

CS/SB 428 — Trust Funds Administered by the Department of Environmental Protection

by Appropriations Committee and Senator Hays

The bill (Chapter 2015-8, L.O.F.):

- Codifies in Florida Statutes five existing trust funds in the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP). These include the Administrative Trust Fund, the Environmental Lab Trust Fund, the Working Capital Trust Fund, the Air Pollution Control Trust Fund, and the Minerals Trust Fund. There are no changes to current law related to these trust funds.
- Directs federal grant revenue be deposited into the Federal Grants Trust Fund instead of the Grants and Donations Trust Fund. All federal grant balances are transferred to the Federal Grants Trust Fund. This modification conforms the DEP's trust funds to chapter 215, F.S., provisions for statewide consistency.
- Modifies the percentage distribution of revenue within the Solid Waste Management Trust Fund for solid waste management and mosquito control programs to reflect historical funding in the General Appropriations Act and the Implementing Bill.

These provisions were approved by the Governor and take effect July 1, 2015.

Vote: Senate 38-0; House 114-0