

# SENATE STAFF ANALYSIS AND ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

(This document is based only on the provisions contained in the legislation as of the latest date listed below.)

BILL: HB 1999

SPONSOR: Committee on General Government Appropriations

SUBJECT: Florida Forever Program Trust Fund

DATE: April 11, 2000 REVISED: \_\_\_\_\_

	ANALYST	STAFF DIRECTOR	REFERENCE	ACTION
1.	<u>Hendon</u>	<u>Hadi</u>	<u>FP</u>	<u>Favorable</u>
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**I. Summary:**

Creates the Florida Forever Program Trust Fund within the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission to receive and disburse funds related to the Florida Forever Program. Annual bond proceeds are distributed by the Department of Environmental Protection to the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission. Receipts and disbursements will total approximately \$4.5 million annually.

**II. Present Situation:**

During the 1999 Legislative Session, the Florida Forever Program was established to continue the goals of the Preservation 2000 Program. According to section 259.105(3) and paragraph (f), Florida Statutes, one and five-tenths percent of the bond proceeds shall be distributed by the Department of Environmental Protection to the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission to fund acquisition of environmentally sensitive lands.

**III. Effect of Proposed Changes:**

This bill creates the Florida Forever Program Trust Fund within the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission for receipt and disbursement of funds related to the Florida Forever Program effective July 1, 2000.

**IV. Constitutional Issues:**

**A. Municipality/County Mandates Restrictions:**

None.

**B. Public Records/Open Meetings Issues:**

None.

C. Trust Funds Restrictions:

None.

V. Economic Impact and Fiscal Note:

A. Tax/Fee Issues:

None.

B. Private Sector Impact:

None.

C. Government Sector Impact:

None.

VI. Technical Deficiencies:

None.

VII. Related Issues:

None.

VIII. Amendments:

None.