Florida House of Representatives - 2001 HB 1731 By the Fiscal Responsibility Council and Representative Johnson

1A bill to be entitled2An act relating to the transfer of criminal3justice programs; amending ss. 938.01 and4943.25, F.S., relating to the Court Cost5Clearing Trust Fund and criminal justice trust6funds; preserving certain funding functions
<ul> <li>justice programs; amending ss. 938.01 and</li> <li>943.25, F.S., relating to the Court Cost</li> <li>Clearing Trust Fund and criminal justice trust</li> </ul>
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6 funds; preserving certain funding functions
7 scheduled for repeal on July 1, 2001, relating
8 to deposit of certain funds for use by the
9 Department of Law Enforcement rather than the
10 Department of Community Affairs; transferring
11 the Criminal Justice Program from the
12 Department of Community Affairs to the
13 Department of Law Enforcement; transferring the
14 Prevention of Domestic and Sexual Violence
15 Program from the Department of Community
16 Affairs to the Department of Children and
17 Family Services and providing matching funds
18 for the administration of such program;
19 providing for transfer of funds; providing an
20 effective date.
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22 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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24 Section 1. Subsection (1) of section 938.01, Florida
25 Statutes, as amended by chapter 2000-171, Laws of Florida, is
26 amended to read:
27 938.01 Additional Court Cost Clearing Trust Fund
28 (1) All courts created by Art. V of the State
29 Constitution shall, in addition to any fine or other penalty,
30 assess \$3 as a court cost against every person convicted for
31 violation of a state penal or criminal statute or convicted
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for violation of a municipal or county ordinance. Any person 1 2 whose adjudication is withheld pursuant to the provisions of 3 s. 318.14(9) or (10) shall also be assessed such cost. In addition, \$3 from every bond estreature or forfeited bail bond 4 5 related to such penal statutes or penal ordinances shall be forwarded to the Treasurer as described in this subsection. 6 7 However, no such assessment may be made against any person 8 convicted for violation of any state statute, municipal 9 ordinance, or county ordinance relating to the parking of 10 vehicles.

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(a) All such costs collected by the courts shall be remitted to the Department of Revenue, in accordance with administrative rules adopted by the executive director of the Department of Revenue, for deposit in the Additional Court Cost Clearing Trust Fund and shall be earmarked to the Department of Law Enforcement and the Department of Community Affairs for distribution as follows:

Two dollars and seventy-five cents of each \$3
 assessment shall be deposited in the Criminal Justice
 Standards and Training Trust Fund, and the remaining 25 cents
 of each such assessment shall be deposited into the <u>Department</u>
 <u>of Law Enforcement</u> Operating Trust Fund and shall be disbursed
 to the Bureau of Public Safety Management of the Department of
 Law Enforcement Community Affairs.

2. Ninety-two percent of the money distributed to the
 Additional Court Cost Clearing Trust Fund pursuant to s.
 318.21 shall be earmarked to the Department of Law Enforcement
 for deposit in the Criminal Justice Standards and Training
 Trust Fund, and 8 percent of such money shall be deposited
 into the <u>Department of Law Enforcement</u> Operating Trust Fund
 and shall be disbursed to the Bureau of Public Safety

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1 Management of the Department of Law Enforcement Community 2 Affairs. 3 (b) The funds deposited in the Criminal Justice Standards and Training Trust Fund and the Department of Law 4 5 Enforcement Operating Trust Fund may be invested. Any interest б earned from investing such funds and any unencumbered funds 7 remaining at the end of the budget cycle shall remain in the 8 respective trust fund until the following year. (c) All funds in the Criminal Justice Standards and 9 Training Trust Fund earmarked to the Department of Law 10 11 Enforcement shall be disbursed only in compliance with s. 12 943.25(9). 13 Section 2. Subsection (1) of section 943.25, Florida 14 Statutes, as amended by chapter 2000-171, Laws of Florida, is 15 amended to read: 943.25 Criminal justice trust funds; source of funds; 16 17 use of funds.--(1) The Department of Law Enforcement Community 18 19 Affairs may approve, for disbursement from the Department of 20 Law Enforcement its Operating Trust Fund, those appropriated 21 sums necessary and required by the state for grant matching, implementing, administering, evaluating, and qualifying for 22 such federal funds. Disbursements from the trust fund for the 23 purpose of supplanting state general revenue funds may not be 24 made without specific legislative appropriation. 25 26 Section 3. The Criminal Justice Program shall be 27 transferred from the Department of Community Affairs to the 28 Department of Law Enforcement by a type two transfer, pursuant 29 to s. 20.06(2), Florida Statutes. The Criminal Justice Program so transferred is comprised of the Byrne State and Local Law 30 Enforcement Assistance Program, Local Law Enforcement Block 31

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Grants, Drug-Free Communities Program, Residential Substance 1 2 Abuse Treatment of State Prisoners, the Bulletproof Vest Program, the Guantanamo Bay Refugee and Entrant Assistance 3 Program, the National Criminal History Improvement Program, 4 5 and the Violent Offender Incarceration and Truth-in-Sentencing б Program. 7 Section 4. (1) The Prevention of Domestic and Sexual 8 Violence Program is transferred from the Department of 9 Community Affairs to the Department of Children and Family Services by a type two transfer, pursuant to s. 20.06(2), 10 Florida Statutes. The Prevention of Domestic and Sexual 11 12 Violence Program so transferred is comprised of the Governor's 13 Task Force on Domestic and Sexual Violence and the Violence 14 Against Women Program. 15 (2) From the funds deposited into the Department of 16 Law Enforcement Operating Trust Fund pursuant to s. 938.01(1)(a)1. and 2., Florida Statutes, the Department of Law 17 Enforcement shall transfer funds to the Department of Children 18 19 and Family Services to be used as matching funds for the 20 administration of the Prevention of Domestic and Sexual Violence Program transferred from the Department of Community 21 22 Affairs. The amount of the transfer for fiscal year 2001-2002 shall be determined by the Governor's Office of Planning and 23 Budgeting, in consultation with the Department of Community 24 Affairs, the Department of Law Enforcement, and the Department 25 26 of Children and Family Services, and shall be based on the 27 historic use of these funds and current needs of the 28 Prevention of Domestic and Sexual Violence Program. In 29 subsequent years, the transfer of funds shall be based on the amount appropriated in the General Appropriations Act. 30 31

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Section 5. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law. HOUSE SUMMARY б Transfers the Criminal Justice Program and the Prevention of Domestic and Sexual Violence Program from the Department of Community Affairs to the Department of Law Enforcement and the Department of Children and Family Services, respectively. Provides for transfer of funds. Preserves certain funding functions scheduled for repeal July 1, 2001. Provides matching funds for the administration of the Prevention of Domestic and Sexual Violence Program Violence Program. 

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