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**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
COMMITTEE ON
CRIMINAL JUSTICE APPROPRIATIONS
TRUST FUND RE-CREATION ANALYSIS**

BILL #: HB 1847 (PCB CJA 02-09)

RELATING TO: State Attorney's Forfeiture and Investigative Support Trust Fund

SPONSOR(S): Committee on Criminal Justice Appropriations and Representative Ball

TIED BILL(S):

ORIGINATING COMMITTEE(S)/COUNCIL(S)/COMMITTEE(S) OF REFERENCE:

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I. SUMMARY:

This legislation re-creates the State Attorney's Forfeiture and Investigative Trust Fund, FLAIR number 212316, without modification. The State Attorney's Forfeiture and Investigative Trust Fund is administered by the Justice Administrative Commission.

II. SUBSTANTIVE ANALYSIS:

A. PRESENT SITUATION:

1. MAJOR STATUTES THAT CONTROL THE TRUST FUND:

Section 27.3451, F.S., creates the trust fund.

Section 932.704, F.S., provides for the deposit of revenues received by state attorneys as a result of forfeiture proceedings into the State Attorney's Forfeiture and Investigative Support Trust Fund for law enforcement purposes, including the investigation of crimes and the prosecution of criminals.

2. BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE FUND'S USES OR PURPOSES:

The receipts of the Forfeiture and Investigative Support Trust Fund are expended for law enforcement purposes, including the investigation of crimes and the prosecution of criminals.

For the 2001-2002 fiscal year, the Legislature appropriated \$1,359,128.

3. MAJOR SOURCES OF REVENUE FOR THE FUND:

The primary source of revenues is receipts received by State Attorneys as a result of forfeiture proceedings. Total receipts from these fines, forfeitures and judgments in the 2000-2001 fiscal year were \$532,566. Agency estimates for the 2001-2002 fiscal year and the 2002-2003 fiscal year are \$759,407 and \$1,182,340, respectively.

B. EFFECT OF PROPOSED CHANGES:

This bill re-creates the trust fund without modification.

III. FISCAL ANALYSIS & ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT:

This legislation has no fiscal impact on state agencies or state funds, on local governments as a whole or on the private sector. It simply re-creates, without modification, an existing state trust fund and continues the current use of the fund.

IV. COMMENTS:

None.

V. AMENDMENTS OR COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE CHANGES:

N/A

VI. SIGNATURES:

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