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

BILL #: HB 1877 (PCB CJA 02-30)

RELATING TO: Revolving Escrow 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 Legal Affairs Revolving Escrow Trust Fund, FLAIR number 412601, without modification. The Legal Affairs Revolving Escrow Trust Fund is administered by the Department of Legal Affairs.

II. SUBSTANTIVE ANALYSIS:

A. PRESENT SITUATION:

1. MAJOR STATUTES THAT CONTROL THE TRUST FUND:

Section 944.512, F.S., provides for the purposes of the trust fund.

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

The Revolving Escrow Trust Fund serves as a temporary depository for funds held for future distribution pending court orders.

For the 2001-2002 fiscal year, the Legislature appropriated \$8,913.

3. MAJOR SOURCES OF REVENUE FOR THE FUND:

The primary source of revenue for the Revolving Escrow Trust Fund are fines, fees, forfeitures, or other judgments against defendants. Total receipts from these sources for the 2000-2001 fiscal year were \$7,611,101. Agency estimates for the 2001-2002 fiscal year and 2002-2003 fiscal year are \$7,993,255 and \$8,392,917, 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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