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

BILL #: HB 1895 (PCB CJA 02-41)

RELATING TO: Employee Benefit 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 Employee Benefit Trust Fund without modification effective July 1, 2002. The Employee Benefit Trust Fund is administered by the Department of Corrections.

II. SUBSTANTIVE ANALYSIS:

A. PRESENT SITUATION:

1. MAJOR STATUTES THAT CONTROL THE TRUST FUND:

Section 945.215(3), F.S., establishes sources of revenue and possible uses of the trust fund. Section 945.21501, F.S., creates the Employee Benefit Trust Fund.

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

The Employee Benefit Trust Fund was established to have funds available to construct, operate and maintain training and recreation facilities at correctional facilities for the exclusive use of department employees.

3. MAJOR SOURCES OF REVENUE FOR THE FUND:

Sources of revenue are derived from vending machines and other services not intended for the use of inmates, outside donations not affiliated with inmates, and additional trust funds and grants which may become available.

B. EFFECT OF PROPOSED CHANGES:

This bill re-creates the trust fund without modification effective July 1, 2002.

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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