SENATE STAFF ANALYSIS AND ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

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

SB 750 BILL: Senator Carlton SPONSOR: Re-create - Dale Hickam Excellent Teaching Program Trust Fund SUBJECT: January 27, 2003 DATE: **REVISED**: ANALYST STAFF DIRECTOR REFERENCE ACTION 1. Brvant Newman AED Favorable 2. AP 3. _____ 4. 5. 6.

I. Summary:

This legislation re-creates the Dale Hickam Excellent Teaching Program Trust Fund FLAIR number 482206, which is administered by the Department of Education. Re-creation is effective for four years beginning on November 4, 2004. The current termination date of the fund, July 1, 2006 is shortened by the bill so that the fund is recreated on cycle with the rest of DOE's trust funds. This fund was last re-created effective June 12, 2002, by Chapter 2002-158, Laws of Florida.

II. Present Situation:

Section 1010.72, F.S., restates the fund's creation and purpose. Section 1012.72, F.S., creates the Dale Hickam Excellent Teaching Program and provides for the trust fund to be administered by the Department of Education.

The trust fund is used to pay expenses associated with the Dale Hickam Excellent Teaching Program. This program is established to encourage Florida public school teachers to seek certification by the National Board of Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS).

The trust fund receives legislative appropriations as well as interest earnings from the investment of unspent balances of the trust fund. According to LAS/PBS data, receipts to the fund for FY 2001-2002 were \$29.7 million.

III. Effect of Proposed Changes:

This bill re-creates the trust fund without modification.

IV. Constitutional Issues:

- A. Municipality/County Mandates Restrictions: None.
- B. Public Records/Open Meetings Issues:

None.

- C. Trust Funds Restrictions: None.
- D. Other Constitutional Issues:

V. Economic Impact and Fiscal Note:

A. Tax/Fee Issues:

None.

B. Private Sector Impact:

None.

C. Government Sector Impact:

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.

VI. Technical Deficiencies:

None.

VII. Related Issues:

None.

VIII. Amendments:

None.

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