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.)

BILL: SB 1044

SPONSOR: Senator Crist

SUBJECT: Forfeiture and Investigative Support Trust Fund

DATE: February 9, 2004   REVISED:

	ANALYST	STAFF DIRECTOR	REFERENCE		ACTION
1.	Sadberry	Sadberry	ACJ		Favorable
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I.   Summary:

This legislation re-creates the Forfeiture and Investigative Support Trust Fund without modification, effective November 4, 2004. The Forfeiture and Investigative Support Trust Fund, FLAIR #71-2-316, is administered by the Department of Law Enforcement. This fund was created by Chapter 98-364.

II.   Present Situation:

As provided in 943.362(2) F.S., moneys in the Forfeiture and Investigative Support Trust Fund are appropriated by the Legislature for purposes deemed appropriate by the Legislature. The trust fund may be used for protracted investigative expenses, overtime pay for sworn agents, specialized equipment, computers, additional motor vehicles, and as state matching funds for federal grants.

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.

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.

This Senate staff analysis does not reflect the intent or official position of the bill's sponsor or the Florida Senate.