

**The Florida Senate**  
**BILL ANALYSIS AND FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

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

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BILL: SB 1292

INTRODUCER: Senator Fasano

SUBJECT: Welfare Transition Trust Fund/Department of Military Affairs

DATE: February 16, 2009

REVISED: \_\_\_\_\_

	ANALYST	STAFF DIRECTOR	REFERENCE	ACTION
1.	Carey	Noble	TA	<b>Favorable</b>
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**I. Summary:**

Senate Bill 1292 re-creates the Welfare Transition Trust Fund, FLAIR number 62-2-401, within the Department of Military Affairs (DMA). The trust fund serves as a respository for funds collected from the Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) Block Grant. The bill has an effective date of July 1, 2009.

This bill repeals section 250.175(5)(d), Florida Statutes.

**II. Present Situation:**

Article III, Section 19(f) of the Florida Constitution requires the termination of all state trust funds within 4 years of their initial creation, unless exempt by the Constitution or operation of law. The Welfare Transition Trust Fund will terminate on July 1, 2009 if no action is taken by the Legislature to re-create.

The Welfare Transition Trust Fund consists of funds collected from the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Block Grant. These moneys are used exclusively for providing services to individuals eligible for Temporary Assistance for Needy Families. The Forward March and About Face programs in the DMA are the recipients of these funds. In Fiscal Year 2008-2009, the Legislature appropriated \$2,000,000 for the Forward March and About Face programs, which was the anticipated amount of receipts.

**III. Effect of Proposed Changes:**

The Welfare Transition Trust Fund within the Department of Military Affairs will be re-created prior to the scheduled termination date of July 1, 2009.

**IV. Constitutional Issues:****A. Municipality/County Mandates Restrictions:**

None.

**B. Public Records/Open Meetings Issues:**

None.

**C. Trust Funds Restrictions:**

None.

**V. Fiscal Impact Statement:****A. Tax/Fee Issues:**

None.

**B. Private Sector Impact:**

None.

**C. Government Sector Impact:**

None.

**VI. Technical Deficiencies:**

None.

**VII. Related Issues:**

None.

**VIII. Additional Information:****A. Committee Substitute – Statement of Substantial Changes:**

(Summarizing differences between the Committee Substitute and the prior version of the bill.)

None.

B. Amendments:

None.

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