

FLORIDA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FINAL BILL ANALYSIS

BILL #: SB 2162

FINAL HOUSE FLOOR ACTION:

117 Y's 0 N's

SPONSOR: Budget (Select Committee on
Government Reorganization and Rep. Legg)

GOVERNOR'S ACTION: Approved

COMPANION BILLS:

SUMMARY ANALYSIS

SB 2162 passed the House on May 7, 2011. The bill was approved by the Governor on June 17, 2011, chapter 2011-157, Laws of Florida, and becomes effective July 1, 2011. This bill creates the Welfare Transition Trust Fund within the Department of Education (DOE). The need for this new trust fund is related to the government reorganization legislation, SB 2156, which among other provisions, transfers the Office of Early Learning to DOE.

This trust fund will be used for a depository for receiving federal funds under the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program. Trust fund moneys shall be used exclusively for the purpose of providing services to individuals eligible for Temporary Assistance for Needy Families pursuant to the requirements and limitations of part A of Title IV of the Social Security Act, as amended, or any other applicable federal requirement or limitation. Funds credited to the trust fund consist of those funds collected from the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Block Grant.

The Welfare Transition Trust Fund is terminated July 1, 2015, unless reenacted by the Legislature.

This bill has an effective date of July 1, 2011, contingent on SB 2156, or similar legislation becoming law.

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FULL ANALYSIS

I. SUBSTANTIVE ANALYSIS

A. EFFECT OF PROPOSED CHANGES:

Current Situation

The Agency for Workforce Innovation receives federal funds under the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program. Trust fund moneys are used exclusively for the purpose of providing services to individuals eligible for Temporary Assistance for Needy Families pursuant to the requirements and limitations of part A of Title IV of the Social Security Act, as amended, or any other applicable federal requirement or limitation. Funds credited to the trust fund consist of those funds collected from the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Block Grant.

There is presently no appropriate trust fund created within the Department of Education for revenues and appropriations of federal funds under the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program.

Article III, section 19(f)(1), of the Florida Constitution, provides no trust fund of the state or other public body may be created without three-fifths vote of the membership of each house of the Legislature in a separate bill for that purpose only.

Proposed Changes

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II. FISCAL ANALYSIS & ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

A. FISCAL IMPACT ON STATE GOVERNMENT:

1. Revenues:

None.

2. Expenditures:

None.

B. FISCAL IMPACT ON LOCAL GOVERNMENTS:

1. Revenues:

None.

2. Expenditures:

None.

C. DIRECT ECONOMIC IMPACT ON PRIVATE SECTOR:

None.

D. FISCAL COMMENTS:

None.