

CHAPTER 97-56

Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 956

An act relating to the disposition of unclaimed moneys; amending s. 116.21, F.S.; providing that a municipality that has a municipal detention facility and that prosecutes through its own municipal prosecutor has a claim against specified unclaimed moneys in the possession of the county; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Subsection (3) of section 116.21, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

116.21 Unclaimed moneys; limitation.—

(3) Persons having or claiming any interest in such funds or any portion of them shall file their written claims with the sheriff or clerk of the court of the county having custody of such funds within the time specified by the notice and shall make sufficient proof to the sheriff or clerk of their ownership and upon so doing shall be entitled to receive any part of the moneys so claimed. For the purposes of this section, any municipality that has a municipal detention facility and that prosecutes through its own municipal prosecutor shall have a claim against any unclaimed moneys collected due to violations of that municipality's ordinances within the territorial jurisdiction of the county and for which a claim has not been made by the person entitled to such funds. Unless claim is filed within such time as aforesaid, all claims in reference thereto are forever barred.

Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.

Became a law without the Governor's approval May 14, 1997.

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