

House Bill No. 2153

An act relating to trust funds; creating s. 570.207, F.S.; creating a Conservation and Recreation Lands Program Trust Fund within the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; providing for purpose and sources of funds; providing for annual carryforward of funds; providing for future review and termination or re-creation of the trust fund; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Section 570.207, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

570.207 Conservation and Recreation Lands Program Trust Fund of the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.—

(1) There is created a Conservation and Recreation Lands Program Trust Fund within the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services. The purpose of the trust fund is to provide for the management of conservation and recreation lands by the department. Funds may be appropriated to the trust fund from the Conservation and Recreation Lands Trust Fund in the Department of Environmental Protection, as created by s. 259.032(2), or from such other sources as the Legislature may determine.

(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of s. 216.301 and pursuant to s. 216.351, any balance in the trust fund at the end of any fiscal year shall remain in the trust fund at the end of the year and shall be available for carrying out the purposes of the trust fund.

(3) Pursuant to the provisions of s. 19(f)(2), Art. III of the State Constitution, the trust fund shall, unless terminated sooner, be terminated on July 1, 2004. Prior to its scheduled termination, the trust fund shall be reviewed as provided in s. 215.3206(1) and (2).

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2000.

Approved by the Governor June 14, 2000.

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