

Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 1720

An act relating to trust funds; creating the Capital Collateral Regional Counsel Trust Fund; specifying the purposes of the trust fund; providing for future review and termination or re-creation of the trust fund; amending s. 27.702, F.S.; providing for the deposit of funds reimbursing the state for representation of certain indigent persons into the Capital Collateral Regional Counsel Trust Fund; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Capital Collateral Regional Counsel Trust Fund.—

(1) The Capital Collateral Regional Counsel Trust Fund is created within the Justice Administrative Commission. Moneys credited to the trust fund shall be used for the purpose of funding the activities of the capital collateral regional counsels.

(2) In accordance with s. 19(f)(2), Art. III of the State Constitution, the Capital Collateral Regional Counsel Trust Fund shall, unless terminated sooner, be terminated on July 1, 2013. Before its scheduled termination, the trust fund shall be reviewed as provided in s. 215.3206(1) and (2), Florida Statutes.

Section 2. Paragraph (a) of subsection (3) of section 27.702, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

27.702 Duties of the capital collateral regional counsel; reports.—

(3)(a) The capital collateral regional counsel shall file motions seeking compensation for representation and reimbursement for expenses pursuant to 18 U.S.C. s. 3006A when providing representation to indigent persons in the federal courts, and shall deposit all such payments received into the Capital Collateral Regional Counsel Trust ~~General Revenue~~ Fund.

Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2009.

Approved by the Governor May 27, 2009.

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