

CHAPTER 2020-97

Senate Bill No. 1116

An act relating to trust funds; creating s. 944.73, F.S.; creating the State-Operated Institutions Inmate Welfare Trust Fund within the Department of Corrections; providing the purpose of the trust fund; 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 944.73, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

944.73 State-Operated Institutions Inmate Welfare Trust Fund.—

(1) The State-Operated Institutions Inmate Welfare Trust Fund is created within the Department of Corrections. The purpose of the trust fund is to benefit and provide for the welfare of inmates incarcerated in state-operated correctional facilities.

(2) Moneys shall be deposited and the expenditures made from the trust fund as provided in s. 945.215.

(3) Notwithstanding 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.

(4) In accordance with s. 19(f), Art. III of the State Constitution, the State-Operated Institutions Inmate Welfare Trust Fund, unless terminated sooner, shall be terminated on July 1, 2024. Before 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, 2020.

Approved by the Governor June 27, 2020.

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