CHAPTER 98-356

House Bill No. 4599

An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Indigent Criminal Defense Trust Fund within Justice Administration without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

WHEREAS, the Legislature wishes to extend the life of the Indigent Criminal Defense Trust Fund within Justice Administration, which is otherwise scheduled to be terminated pursuant to constitutional mandate, and

WHEREAS, the Legislature has reviewed the Indigent Criminal Defense Trust Fund within Justice Administration before its scheduled termination date and has found that it continues to meet an important public purpose, and

WHEREAS, the Legislature has found that existing public policy concerning the Indigent Criminal Defense Trust Fund within Justice Administration sets adequate parameters for its use, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

- Section 1. The Indigent Criminal Defense Trust Fund within Justice Administration, which is to be terminated pursuant to Section 19(f), Article III of the State Constitution on November 4, 2000, is re-created.
- Section 2. <u>All current balances of the Indigent Criminal Defense Trust Fund within Justice Administration are carried forward, and all current sources and uses of the trust fund are continued.</u>
 - Section 3. This act shall take effect November 4, 2000.

Became a law without the Governor's approval May 30, 1998.

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