

## CHAPTER 2024-37

### House Bill No. 5201

An act relating to trust funds; creating s. 16.717, F.S.; creating the Federal Law Enforcement Trust Fund within the Florida Gaming Control Commission; providing for sources of funds and purpose; authorizing any unexpended balance at a specified time to remain in such trust fund for certain purpose; 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 16.717, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

16.717 Federal Law Enforcement Trust Fund.—

(1) The Federal Law Enforcement Trust Fund is created within the Florida Gaming Control Commission. The commission may deposit into the trust fund receipts and revenues received as a result of federal criminal, administrative, or civil forfeiture proceedings and receipts and revenues received from federal asset-sharing programs. Deposited funds may be used for the operation of the Florida Gaming Control Commission in accordance with ss. 16.71-16.716. The trust fund is exempt from the service charges imposed by s. 215.20.

(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) In accordance with s. 19(f)(2), Art. III of the State Constitution, the Federal Law Enforcement Trust Fund shall, unless terminated sooner, be terminated on July 1, 2028. 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, 2024.

Approved by the Governor March 22, 2024.

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