

Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Conforming Bill
Relating to Indian Gaming Revenue Clearing Trust Fund

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to Indian Gaming Revenue Clearing Trust
3 Fund; amending s. 17.71, F.S.; requiring the annual
4 transfer of a portion of funds from the Indian Gaming
5 Revenue Clearing Trust Fund for specified purposes;
6 providing an effective date.

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

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10 Section 1. Section 17.71, Florida Statutes, is amended to
11 read:

12 17.71 Indian Gaming Revenue Clearing Trust Fund.—

13 (1) The Indian Gaming Revenue Clearing Trust Fund is
14 created within the Department of Financial Services. The purpose
15 of the trust fund is to act as a depository for a portion of the
16 revenue-sharing payments received by the state under the gaming
17 compact, as the term "compact" is defined in s. 285.710(1).

18 (2) Funds shall be credited to the Indian Gaming Revenue
19 Clearing Trust Fund as provided in subsection (3). Funds
20 received from such revenue-sharing payments and deposited into
21 the trust fund are exempt from the service charges imposed
22 pursuant to s. 215.20.

23 (3) Notwithstanding s. 285.710, the Department of Revenue
24 shall, upon receipt, deposit 96 percent of any revenue share
25 payment received under the compact as defined in s. 285.710 into
26 the Indian Gaming Revenue Clearing Trust Fund within the
27 Department of Financial Services. The funds deposited into the

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trust fund shall be distributed, by nonoperating transfer, from
the Indian Gaming Revenue Clearing Trust Fund as follows:

(a) \$20 million to the Save Our Everglades Trust Fund
within the Department of Environmental Protection, for use in
accordance with s. 373.470(8).

(b) up to \$200 million in accordance with s. 380.095.

(c) any remaining funds to the General Revenue Fund.

~~(43)~~ Pursuant to s. 19(f)(3), Art. III of the State
Constitution, the Indian Gaming Revenue Clearing Trust Fund is
exempt from the termination provisions of s. 19(f)(2), Art. III
of the State Constitution.

Section 2. This act shall take effect on July 1, 2026, if
an Act Relating to Natural Resources or similar legislation is
adopted in the same legislative session or an extension thereof
and becomes a law.