**Legal Title**  
Court Funding Account

**Legal Citation/Authority**  
Chapter 1607, Statutes of 1985  
Government Code section 77401

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**Authority and Purpose**  
This fund is a depository for specified fines, forfeitures, and filing fees transmitted to the State from option counties to help fund trial court costs.

**Administering Agency/Organization Code**  
State Controller’s Office/Org 0840

**Major Revenue Source**  
Revenues received by the courts in option counties from specific fines, forfeitures, filing fees, and penalty assessments and surcharges.

**Disposition**  
To offset costs relating to state funding of trial courts on a yearly, county-option basis. The Controller shall transmit to each option county from the court Funding Fund quarterly payments on the block grant owing to that county based on a specified rate of reimbursement.

**Appropriation Authority**  
Section 19 of Chapter 944/88 provides that Item 0450-101-495 is added to Section 2.00 of the Budget Act of 1988, for implementation of the Trial Court Funding Program in the amount of $182,262,000.

**State Appropriations Limit**  
Always Excluded – Revenues in this fund are not proceeds of taxes and even after transfer, will never become proceeds of taxes because the major revenue source is derived from fines and penalties.

**Historical Comments**  
Chapters 944 and 945, Statutes of 1988 refer to this fund as the Court Funding Account, hence the name was changed from the Court Funding Trust Account to the Court Funding Account.  
Chapter 945, Statutes of 1988 repealed sections related to the Court Funding Account, effective September 16, 1988. This fund is therefore abolished.