

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER #03-03

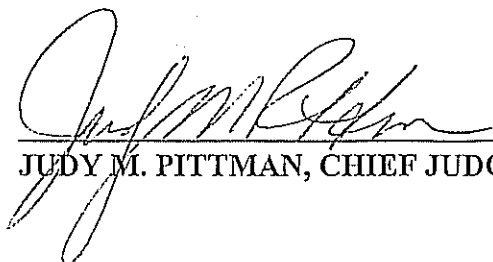
IN RE: Unclaimed Restitution and Other Court-Ordered Payments

WHEREAS House Bill 465 was passed by the 2003 Legislature, to become effective upon becoming a law, and the act was signed by the Governor on June 10, 2003. This act amended s. 945.31, F.S. and repealed s. 960.0025, F.S.

WHEREAS this act now provides that any unclaimed restitution and other court-ordered payments shall be deposited or transferred into the General Revenue Fund instead of the Crimes Compensation Trust Fund, or to the Board of County Commissioners, or to any Direct-Support Organizations. Any orders referencing unclaimed court-ordered payments should reflect this change.

WHEREAS Jackson County Administrative Order and Calhoun County Administrative Order, which state that all defendants sentenced in Circuit Court to a supervision program administered by the Department of Corrections and ordered to pay restitution shall have restitution payments directed to the Jackson County Board of Commissioners and the Calhoun County Board of Commissioners, respectively, in the event a victim's whereabouts is determined to be unknown, are hereby rescinded.

DONE AND ORDERED in Chambers at Panama City, Bay County, Florida this 7
day of July, 2003.



JUDY M. PITTMAN, CHIEF JUDGE

Attachment: House Bill 0465

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ENROLLED HB 0465, Engrossed 1

2003 Legislature

1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to unclaimed court-ordered payments;
3 amending s. 945.31, F.S.; authorizing the Department of
4 Corrections to deposit or transfer into the General
5 Revenue Fund certain overpayments and other payments;
6 repealing s. 960.0025, F.S., relating to the allocation of
7 certain funds from restitution or other court-ordered
8 payments; providing an effective date.
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10 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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12 Section 1. Section 945.31, Florida Statutes, is amended to
13 read:

14 945.31 Restitution and other payments.--The department may
15 establish bank accounts outside the State Treasury for the
16 purpose of collecting and disbursing restitution and other
17 court-ordered payments from persons in its custody or under its
18 supervision, and may collect an administrative processing fee in
19 an amount equal to 4 percent of the gross amounts of such
20 payments. Such administrative processing fee shall be deposited
21 in the department's Operating Trust Fund and shall be used to
22 offset the cost of the department's services. The department is
23 authorized to deposit or transfer into the General Revenue Fund:

24 (1) Offender overpayments that are less than \$10 at the
25 end of the offender's supervision.

26 (2) Offender funds that are not claimed within 1 year
27 after supervision is terminated.

28 (3) Victim restitution payments that are not claimed
29 within 1 year after the offender's supervision is terminated.

30 (4) Interest earned on balances in the COPS bank accounts.

31 (5) Payments that cannot be identified and are not claimed
32 within 1 year after they are received.

33 Section 2. Section 960.0025, Florida Statutes, is
34 repealed.

35 Section 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.
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