HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES LOCAL BILL STAFF ANALYSIS

BILL #: HB 773 Plantation Acres Improvement District, Broward County SPONSOR(S): Porth TIED BILLS: **IDEN./SIM. BILLS:** REFERENCE ACTION ANALYST STAFF DIRECTOR Military & Local Affairs Policy Committee 13 Y, 0 N Fudge Hoagland 1) Economic Development & Community Affairs Policy 2) Council 3) Finance & Tax Council 4) _ _ 5)

SUMMARY ANALYSIS

Plantation Acres Improvement District is an independent special district located in Broward County. The district is governed by a five member board of supervisors elected by the qualified electors in the district. The district has the authority to levy annual installment and maintenance taxes, non-ad valorem assessments and special assessments. However, the district only levies non-ad valorem assessments.

HB 773 designates the governing board of the district as the board of commissioners.

HOUSE PRINCIPLES

Members are encouraged to evaluate proposed legislation in light of the following guiding principles of the House of Representatives

- Balance the state budget.
- Create a legal and regulatory environment that fosters economic growth and job creation.
- Lower the tax burden on families and businesses.
- Reverse or restrain the growth of government.
- Promote public safety.
- Promote educational accountability, excellence, and choice.
- Foster respect for the family and for innocent human life.
- Protect Florida's natural beauty.

FULL ANALYSIS

I. SUBSTANTIVE ANALYSIS

A. EFFECT OF PROPOSED CHANGES:

Current Situation

Plantation Acres Improvement District is an independent special district located in Broward County. The district is governed by a five member board of supervisors elected by the qualified electors pursuant to s. 189.405, F.S. The district has the authority to levy annual installment and maintenance taxes, non-ad valorem assessments and special assessments. However, the district only levies non-ad valorem assessments.

Effect of Proposed Changes

HB 773 amends ch. 2002-367, L.O.F. to rename the board of supervisors as the board of commissioners.

- B. SECTION DIRECTORY:
 - Section 1: Expresses legislative intent.
 - Section 2: Designates the governing board of the district as the board of commissioners.
 - Section 3: Provides an effective date of upon becoming law.

II. NOTICE/REFERENDUM AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS

A. NOTICE PUBLISHED? Yes [X] No []

IF YES, WHEN? January 9, 2009.

WHERE? In the Sun-Sentinel, a daily newspaper published in Broward County, Florida.

B. REFERENDUM(S) REQUIRED? Yes [] No [X]

IF YES, WHEN?

- C. LOCAL BILL CERTIFICATION FILED? Yes, attached [X] No []
- D. ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT FILED? Yes, attached [X] No []

III. COMMENTS

- A. CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUES: None.
- B. RULE-MAKING AUTHORITY: None.
- C. DRAFTING ISSUES OR OTHER COMMENTS: None.

IV. AMENDMENTS/COUNCIL OR COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE CHANGES