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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate

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House

Senator Braynon moved the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Between lines 164 and 165

insert:

Section 2. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section 125.901, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

125.901 Children's services; independent special district; council; powers, duties, and functions; public records exemption.—

(1) Each county may by ordinance create an independent special district, as defined in ss. 189.012 and 200.001(8)(e),



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12 to provide funding for children's services throughout the county
13 in accordance with this section. The boundaries of such district
14 shall be coterminous with the boundaries of the county. The
15 county governing body shall obtain approval, by a majority vote
16 of those electors voting on the question, to annually levy ad
17 valorem taxes which shall not exceed the maximum millage rate
18 authorized by this section. Any district created pursuant to the
19 provisions of this subsection shall be required to levy and fix
20 millage subject to the provisions of s. 200.065. Once such
21 millage is approved by the electorate, the district shall not be
22 required to seek approval of the electorate in future years to
23 levy the previously approved millage.

24 (b) However, any county as defined in s. 125.011(1) may
25 instead have a governing body consisting of 33 members,
26 including: the superintendent of schools, or his or her
27 designee; two representatives of public postsecondary education
28 institutions located in the county; the county manager or the
29 equivalent county officer; the district administrator from the
30 appropriate district of the Department of Children and Families,
31 or the administrator's designee who is a member of the Senior
32 Management Service or the Selected Exempt Service; the director
33 of the county health department or the director's designee; the
34 state attorney for the county or the state attorney's designee;
35 the chief judge assigned to juvenile cases, or another juvenile
36 judge who is the chief judge's designee and who shall sit as a
37 voting member of the board, except that the judge may not vote
38 or participate in setting ad valorem taxes under this section;
39 an individual who is selected by the board of the local United
40 Way or its equivalent; a member of a locally recognized faith-



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41 based coalition, selected by that coalition; a member of the
42 local chamber of commerce, selected by that chamber or, if more
43 than one chamber exists within the county, a person selected by
44 a coalition of the local chambers; a member of the early
45 learning coalition, selected by that coalition; a representative
46 of a labor organization or union active in the county; a member
47 of a local alliance or coalition engaged in cross-system
48 planning for health and social service delivery in the county,
49 selected by that alliance or coalition; a member of the local
50 Parent-Teachers Association/Parent-Teacher-Student Association,
51 selected by that association; a youth representative selected by
52 the local school system's student government; a local school
53 board member appointed by the chair of the school board; the
54 mayor of the county or the mayor's designee; one member of the
55 county governing body, appointed by the chair of that body; a
56 member of the state Legislature who represents residents of the
57 county, selected by the chair of the local legislative
58 delegation; an elected official representing the residents of a
59 municipality in the county, selected by the county municipal
60 league; and 4 members-at-large, appointed to the council by the
61 majority of sitting council members. The remaining 7 members
62 shall be appointed by the Governor in accordance with procedures
63 set forth in paragraph (a), except that the Governor may remove
64 a member for cause or upon the written petition of the council.
65 Appointments by the Governor must, to the extent reasonably
66 possible, represent the geographic and demographic diversity of
67 the population of the county. Members who are appointed to the
68 council by reason of their position are not subject to the
69 length of terms and limits on consecutive terms as provided in



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70 this section. The remaining appointed members of the governing
71 body shall be appointed to serve 2-year terms, except that those
72 members appointed by the Governor shall be appointed to serve 4-
73 year terms, and the youth representative and the legislative
74 delegate shall be appointed to serve 1-year terms. A member may
75 be reappointed; however, a member may not serve for more than
76 three consecutive terms. A member is eligible to be appointed
77 again after a 2-year hiatus from the council.

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79 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

80 And the title is amended as follows:

81 Delete line 12

82 and insert:

83 a specified date; amending s. 125.901, F.S.; providing
84 that the membership of the governing body of certain
85 independent special districts in specified counties
86 may include the designee of the superintendent of
87 schools in lieu of the superintendent; creating s.
88 1001.4205, F.S.;