By Senator Dyer

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A bill to be entitled 1 2 An act relating to district school board elections; providing for a referendum in 3 4 certain counties with respect to the 5 composition and manner of electing the school board; requiring affected school boards to 6 7 provide an orderly transition to a school board so composed if approved by the electors; 8 9 providing an effective date. 10 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: 11 12 Section 1. (1) In a county that has a population of 13 14 650,000 or more persons as of the last decennial census, other than a county as defined in section 125.011(1), Florida 15 Statutes, the district school board shall submit to the 16 17 electors for approval at a referendum to be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November 1998 the question 18 19 of whether the school board should be composed of nine 20 members, seven of whom are to be elected from a single-member 21 residence area by electors residing in the single-member 22 residence area only, and two of whom are to be elected 23 at-large, notwithstanding the provisions of section 230.061, section 230.10, or section 230.105, Florida Statutes. 24 25 (2) If the electors approve such election of district school board members, the seven single-member residence areas 26 27 must be drawn by the school board, and the district school 28 board shall provide for the orderly transition to such 29 election of school board members as the terms of incumbent 30 school board members expire. 31

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