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1   A bill to be entitled

2   An act relating to district school board

3   elections; providing for a referendum in

4   certain counties with respect to the

5   composition and manner of electing the school

6   board; requiring affected school boards to

7   provide an orderly transition to a school board

8   so composed if approved by the electors;

9   providing an effective date.

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11 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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13   Section 1. (1) In a county that has a population of

14 more than 800,000 persons, but fewer than 1 million persons,

15 the district school board shall submit to the electors for

16 approval at a referendum to be held on the first Tuesday after

17 the first Monday in November 1998 the question of whether the

18 school board should be composed of seven members to be elected

19 in partisan elections from a single-member residence area by

20 electors residing in the single-member residence area only,

21 notwithstanding the provisions of section 230.061, section

22 230.10, or section 230.105, Florida Statutes.

23   (2) If the electors approve such election of district

24 school board members, the seven single-member residence areas

25 must be drawn by the school board, and the district school

26 board shall provide for the orderly transition to such

27 election of school board members as the terms of incumbent

28 school board members expire.

29   Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a

30 law.

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1   STATEMENT OF SUBSTANTIAL CHANGES CONTAINED IN
                          COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
2   <u>sb1908</u>

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4   Rather than requiring a referendum in counties with a
    population of more than 650,000 people, the committee
5   substitute requires a referendum in counties with a population
    of more tha 800,000 persons but less than one million persons.
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    Instead of posing the question of whether nine members should
7   be elected to the school board with seven from single member
    districts and two elected at large, the question on the ballot
8   would be whether to elect a seven member board from single
    member districts in partisan elections.
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