An act relating to the St. Lucie County Port and Airport Authority; providing for the dissolution of the St. Lucie County Port and Airport Authority; providing for the transfer of assets, including real property and liabilities of the authority, to the Board of County Commissioners of St. Lucie County; providing for contracts of this authority to remain in effect; providing for liberal construction; providing for the repeal of chapter 97-377, Laws of Florida; providing for severability; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Effective October 1, 1998, the St. Lucie

County Port and Airport Authority as created by chapter

88-515, Laws of Florida, and amended by chapter 97-377, Laws
of Florida, located in St. Lucie County, is hereby abolished,
and chapter 97-377, Laws of Florida, is hereby repealed.

Section 2. Effective October 1, 1998, the title, rights, and ownership of all property, both real and personal, uncollected taxes, dues, claims, judgments, decrees, actions, funds, and all property and property rights held or owned by the St. Lucie County Port and Airport Authority abolished by this act shall pass to and be vested in the Board of County Commissioners of St. Lucie County.

Section 3. <u>No obligations or contracts of the St.</u>

<u>Lucie County Port and Airport Authority, including bonds</u>

heretofore issued or any proceeding heretofore begun for any

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improvement, or for the borrowing of money or issuing of
   bonds, shall be impaired or avoided by this act, but such
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    debts, obligations, contracts, and bonds shall pass to and be
    binding upon St. Lucie County, and all such proceedings
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   heretofore begun for the construction of any improvements or
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    continued and completed and shall be binding upon St. Lucie
    County. In addition, all debts of, and claims against, the
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    abolished authority shall be valid against St. Lucie County to
    the same extent that they would have been valid against the
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    authority.
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           Section 4. The provisions of this act shall be
    liberally construed in order that St. Lucie County may
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    effectively carry out the assumption of the authority and
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    powers of the abolished authority and the purposes of this
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           Section 5. If any provision of this act or the
    application thereof to any person or circumstance is held
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    invalid, the invalidity shall not affect other provisions or
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    applications of the act which can be given effect without the
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    invalid provision or application, and to this end the
    provisions of the act are declared severable.
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           Section 6. This act shall take effect upon becoming a
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