

Amendment No. 05 (for drafter's use only)

	<u>Senate</u>	CHAMBER ACTION	<u>House</u>
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Representative(s) Gay offered the following:

Amendment (with title amendment)

On page 5, between lines 17 and 18, of the bill

insert:

Section 4. Subsection (1) of section 189.417, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

189.417 Meetings; notice; required reports.--

(1) The governing body of each special district shall file quarterly, semiannually, or annually a schedule of its regular meetings with the local governing authority or authorities. The schedule shall include the date, time, and location of each scheduled meeting. The schedule shall be published quarterly, semiannually, or annually in a newspaper of general paid circulation in the manner required in this subsection. The governing body of an independent special district shall advertise the day, time, place, and purpose of any meeting other than a regular meeting or any recessed and reconvened meeting of the governing body, at least 7 days prior to such meeting, in a newspaper of general paid

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1 circulation in the county or counties in which the special
2 district is located, unless a bona fide emergency situation
3 exists, in which case a meeting to deal with the emergency may
4 be held as necessary, with reasonable notice, so long as it is
5 subsequently ratified by the board. No approval of the annual
6 budget shall be granted at an emergency meeting. The
7 advertisement shall be placed in that portion of the newspaper
8 where legal notices and classified advertisements appear. The
9 advertisement shall appear in a newspaper that is published at
10 least 5 days a week, unless the only newspaper in the county
11 is published fewer than 5 days a week. The newspaper selected
12 must be one of general interest and readership in the
13 community and not one of limited subject matter, pursuant to
14 chapter 50. Any other provision of law to the contrary
15 notwithstanding, and except in the case of emergency meetings,
16 water management districts may provide reasonable notice of
17 public meetings held to evaluate responses to solicitations
18 issued by the water management district, by publication in a
19 newspaper of general paid circulation in the county where the
20 principal office of the water management district is located,
21 or in the county or counties where the public work will be
22 performed, no less than 7 days before such meeting.

23 (2) All meetings of the governing body of the special
24 district shall be open to the public and governed by the
25 provisions of chapter 286.

26 (3) Meetings of the governing body of the special
27 district shall be held in a public building when available
28 within the district, in a county courthouse of a county in
29 which the district is located, or in a building in the county
30 accessible to the public.

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1 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====
2 And the title is amended as follows:
3 On page 1, between lines 15 and 16,
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5 insert:
6 amending s. 189.417, F.S.; authorizing water
7 management districts to provide certain notice
8 of public meetings held to evaluate responses
9 to solicitations issued by the water management
10 district by publication in certain newspapers
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