${\bf By}$ the Committee on Comprehensive Planning, Local and Military Affairs; and Senator Casas

316-1871-99

1 A bill to be entitled 2 An act creating Hialeah County; creating s. 3 7.275, F.S.; describing the boundaries of the 4 county; amending s. 7.13, F.S.; revising the 5 boundaries of Dade County; providing for 6 Hialeah County to assume certain assets and 7 liabilities of Dade County; providing for an election for officers of Hialeah County; 8 9 providing for a referendum; providing an effective date. 10 11 12 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: 13 Section 1. Section 7.275, Florida Statutes, is created 14 15 to read: 7.275 Hialeah County. -- The boundary lines of Hialeah 16 17 County are as follows: 18 19 Beginning at the southeast corner of Section 20, Township 53 20 South, Range 41 East, run 660 feet northwardly along the east line of such Section 20 to a point, such point being the Point 21 22 of Beginning. From the Point of Beginning run northwardly along the east line of Section 20, such east line of Section 23 20 also being the west line of Section 21, Township 53 South, 24 25 Range 41 East, to the southwest corner of the northwest 26 quarter of the southwest quarter of the northwest quarter of Section 21; thence run eastwardly along the south line of the 27 2.8 northwest quarter of the southwest quarter of the northwest 29 quarter of Section 21 to the southeast corner of the west half 30 of the northwest quarter of the southwest quarter of the northwest quarter of Section 21; thence run northwardly along

the east line of the west half of the northwest quarter of the southwest quarter of the northwest quarter of Section 21 to a 2 3 point of intersection with the south line of the northwest 4 quarter of the northwest quarter of Section 21, such point of 5 intersection being the northeast corner of the west half of 6 the northwest quarter of the southwest quarter of the 7 northwest quarter of Section 21; thence run eastwardly along 8 the south line of the northwest quarter of Section 21 to a point, such point being the southeast corner of the southwest 9 10 quarter of the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of 11 Section 21; thence run northwardly along the east line of the southwest quarter of the northwest quarter of the northwest 12 quarter of Section 21 to a point, such point being the 13 northeast corner of the southwest quarter of the northwest 14 15 quarter of the northwest quarter of Section 21; thence run westwardly along the north line of the southwest quarter of 16 17 the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of Section 21 to a point, such point being the southeast corner of the west 18 19 half of the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of Section 21; thence run northwardly along 20 the east line of the west half of the northwest quarter of the 21 northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of Section 21 to a 22 point, such point being the northeast corner of the west half 23 24 of the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of the 25 northwest quarter of Section 21; thence run eastwardly along the north line of Section 21, such line also being the south 26 line of Section 16, Township 53 South, Range 41 East, to a 27 point, such point being the southeast corner of the west half 28 29 of the southwest quarter of Section 16; thence run northwardly along the east line of the west half of the southwest quarter 30 31 of Section 16 to a point, such point being the northeast

corner of the south half of the south half of the northwest quarter of the southwest quarter of Section 16; thence run 2 3 westwardly along the north line of the south half of the south 4 half of the northwest quarter of the southwest quarter of 5 Section 16 to a point, such point being the northwest corner 6 of the south half of the south half of the northwest quarter 7 of the southwest quarter of Section 16; thence run northwardly 8 along the west line of Sections 16 and 9, Township 53 South, Range 41 East, such line also being the east line of Sections 9 10 17 and 8, Township 53 South, Range 41 East, to a point, such point being the point of intersection of the easterly 11 extension of the north line of East 28th Street, such line 12 13 also being the south line of Block 84 B of the Amended Plat of 14 the Amended Plat of Thirteenth Addition to Hialeah according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 34, at page 26, 15 of the Public Records of Dade County, Florida, with the east 16 17 line of Section 8; thence run westwardly along the south line of Block 84 B to a Lot 29 of Block 84 B; thence run 18 19 northwardly along the east lines of Lots 29 and 2 of Block 84 B and lots 29 and 2, Block 77 B, and the northerly extensions 20 thereof, of the Amended Plat of the Amended Plat of Thirteenth 21 Addition to Hialeah, to a point, such point being a point of 22 intersection of the east lines of Lots 29 and 2, Block 84 B 23 24 and Lots 29 and 2, Block 77 B and the northerly extensions 25 thereof, with a line 30 feet northerly of, and parallel with, the north line of Block 77 B; thence run eastwardly along that 26 line, which lies 30 feet northerly of, and parallel with, the 27 north line of Block 77 B, to a point, such point being a point 28 29 of intersection of that line, which lies 30 feet northerly of, and parallel with, the north line of Block 77 B, with the 30 31 southerly extension of the east line of Block 4 of Bing's

Terminals, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 61, at page 1, of the Public Records of Dade County, 2 3 Florida, such east line of Block 4 and the southerly extension thereof also being the west right-of-way line of the Seaboard 4 5 Coast Line Railroad Company; thence run northwardly along the 6 west line of such railroad right-of-way through a portion of 7 Section 8, through Section 5, Township 53 South, Range 41 8 East, and through a portion of Section 32, Township 52 South, Range 41 East, to a point on the south line of the 9 10 right-of-way of the Little River Canal; thence run eastwardly along the south line of the Little River Canal right-of-way to 11 a point, such point being a point of intersection of the south 12 line of the Little River Canal right-of-way with the east line 13 14 of Section 32; thence run northwardly along the east line of Section 32 to the northeast corner of Section 32; thence run 15 westwardly along the north line of Sections 32 and 31, 16 17 Township 52 South, Range 41 East, such line also being the south line of Sections 29 and 30, Township 52 South, Range 41 18 19 East, to a point, such point being the southeast corner of the west half of the west half of Section 30; thence run 20 northwardly along the east line of the west half of the west 21 half of Section 30 to a point of intersection of the east line 22 of the west half of the west half of such Section 30 with the 23 north line of Section 30, such point being the northeast 24 25 corner of the west half of the west half of Section 30; thence run South 86 degrees, 59 minutes, 59 seconds West along the 26 north line of Section 30 a distance of 659.29 feet to a point, 27 28 such point being 703.23 feet easterly of the northwest corner 29 of Section 30, as measured along the north line of Section 30; thence run South 49 degrees, 26 minutes, 41 seconds West for a 30 31 distance of 703.48 feet to a point that is 140.00 feet East

of, as measured at right angles to, the West line of Section 30; thence run South 13 degrees, 21 minutes, 53 seconds West 2 3 for a distance of 136.01 feet to a point that is 100.00 feet East of, as measured at right angles to, the West line of 4 5 Section 30; thence run South 86 degrees, 59 minutes, 59 6 seconds West for a distance of 100.01 feet to a point on the 7 west line of Section 30, such West line of Section 30 also 8 being the east line of Section 25, Township 52 South, Range 40 East; thence run North 3 degrees, 44 minutes, 17 seconds West 9 10 along the west line of Section 30 a distance of 559.34 feet to 11 the northwest corner of Section 30; thence continue northwardly along the east line of Section 25 to the northeast 12 corner of Section 25; thence run westwardly along the north 13 line of Sections 25, 26, 27, and 28, Township 52 South, Range 14 40 East, to the northwest corner of Section 28; thence run 15 southwardly along the west line of Section 28 to the southwest 16 17 corner of Section 28; thence run eastwardly along the south line of Section 28 to the Southeast corner of Section 28, such 18 19 southeast corner of such Section 28 also being the northwest corner of Section 34, Township 52 South, Range 40 East; thence 20 run southwardly along the west line of Section 34 to the 21 southwest corner of Section 34; thence run eastwardly along 22 the south line of Section 34 to the southeast corner of 23 24 Section 34, such southeast corner of Section 34 also being the northwest corner of Section 2, Township 53 South, Range 40 25 East; thence run southwardly along the west line of Sections 2 26 and 11, Township 53 South, Range 40 East, to a point, such 27 point being a point of intersection of the west line of 28 29 Section 11 with the center line of a waterway known as the Miami Canal; thence run southeastwardly along the center line 30 of the Miami Canal through Sections 11, 12, and 13, Township 31

53 South, Range 40 East, and through Sections 18, 19, 20, and 29, Township 53 South, Range 41 East, to a point, such point 2 3 being a point of intersection of the center line of the Miami 4 Canal west half of the northeast quarter of the northeast 5 quarter of Section 29; thence run north along the east line of 6 the west half of the northeast quarter of the northeast 7 quarter of Section 29 to a point, such point being the 8 northeast corner of the west half of the northeast quarter of 9 the northeast quarter of Section 29; thence run eastwardly 10 along the north line of Section 29, such north line of Section 11 29 also being the south line of Section 20, Township 53 South, Range 41 East, to a point 660 feet westerly of the southeast 12 corner of Section 20, as measured along the south line of 13 Section 20; thence run northwardly along a line 660 feet 14 westerly of, and parallel with, the east line of Section 20, 15 for a distance of 660 feet to a point; thence run eastwardly 16 17 along a line northerly of, and parallel with, the south line of Section 20, for a distance of 660 feet to the Point of 18 19 Beginning; less the parcel of land legally described as 20 follows: Commence at a Point of Beginning, such Point of 21 Beginning being the northeast corner of the south half of the 22 south half of Section 36, Township 52 South, Range 40 East; 23 thence run westwardly along the north line of the south half 24 25 of the south half of Section 36 to the southwest corner of the east half of the west half of the northeast quarter of the 26 27 southwest quarter of Section 36; thence run northwardly along the west line of the east half of the west half of the 28 29 northeast quarter of the southwest quarter of Section 36 to 30 the northwest corner of the east half of the west half of the 31 northeast quarter of the southwest quarter of Section 36;

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thence run eastwardly along the north line of the southwest quarter of Section 36 to a point, such point being the center point of Section 36; thence run along the south line of the northeast quarter of Section 36 at a bearing of South 87 degrees, 44 minutes, 10 seconds East, a distance of 1,565.04 feet to a point; thence run North 0 degrees, 1 minute, 8 seconds East, a distance of 999.33 feet to a point of curvature; thence continue in a northerly and northeasterly direction along the arc of a circle to the right, with a radius of 490.69 feet, a central angle of 30 degrees, 17 minutes, 5 seconds, for an arc distance of 259.36 feet to a point; thence run South 87 degrees, 45 minutes, 26 seconds East along a line for a distance of 1,010.75 feet to a point on the east line of Section 36; thence run southwardly along the east line of Section 36 a distance of 2,570.41 feet, more or less, to the Point of Beginning.

Section 2. Section 7.13, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

7.13 Dade County.--

(1) The boundary lines of Dade County are as follows: Beginning at the southwest corner of township fifty-one south, range thirty-five east; thence east following the south line of township fifty-one south, across ranges thirty-five, thirty-six, thirty-seven, thirty-eight, thirty-nine and forty east, to the southwest corner of township fifty-one south, range forty-one east; thence north on the range line dividing ranges forty and forty-one east to the northwest corner of section thirty-one, township fifty-one south, range forty-one east; thence east on the north boundary of said section thirty-one and other sections to the waters of the Atlantic 31 Ocean; thence easterly to the eastern boundary of the State of

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Florida; thence southward along the coast, including the waters of the Atlantic Ocean and the gulf stream within the jurisdiction of the State of Florida, to a point on the reefs of Florida immediately opposite the mouth of Broad Creek (a stream separating Cayo Lago from Old Rhodes Key); thence in a direct line through the middle of said stream to a point east of Mud Point, said point being located on the east line of the west one half of section seven, township fifty-nine south, range forty east, at a distance of two thousand three hundred feet, more or less, south of the northeast corner of the west one half of said section seven being a point on the existing Dade County boundary line as established by s. 7.13; thence run southerly along the east line of the west one half of said section seven, township fifty-nine south, range forty east, to a point two thousand feet, more or less, north of the south line of said section seven; thence run westerly along a line parallel to the south line of said section seven, through the open water midway between two islands lying in the west one half of said section seven to a point on the west line of section seven, township fifty-nine south, range forty east; thence run southerly for a distance of two thousand feet, more or less, to the southwest corner of said section seven; thence run southerly along the west line of section eighteen, township fifty-nine south, range forty east, to the southwest corner of said section eighteen; thence run in a southwesterly direction along a straight line to the southwest corner of section twenty-four, township fifty-nine south, range thirty-nine east; thence run southerly along the east line of section twenty-six, township fifty-nine south, range thirty-nine east, to the southeast corner of said section twenty-six; thence run southerly along the east line of

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section thirty-five, township fifty-nine south, range thirty-nine east, to a point of intersection with a line drawn parallel with the north line of said section thirty-five and through the open water midway between Main and Short Key; thence run westerly along a line parallel to the north line of said section thirty-five, through the open water midway between Main and Short Key to a point on the west line of section thirty-five and a point on the east line of section thirty-four, township fifty-nine south, range thirty-nine east; thence run southwesterly in a straight line to the southwest corner of the southeast quarter of said section thirty-four and the northeast corner of the northwest quarter 12 of section three, township sixty south, range thirty-nine 14 east; thence run southerly along the east line of the northwest quarter of said section three to the southeast corner of the northwest quarter of said section three; thence run westerly along the south line of the northwest quarter of said section three to the southwest corner of the northwest quarter of said section three; thence run westerly to a point on the northerly bank of Manatee Creek at the easterly mouth of said Manatee Creek; thence run westerly meandering the northerly bank of Manatee Creek to the intersection thereof with the west right-of-way line of United States Highway No. 1, said right-of-way line being the east boundary of the Everglades National Park and said north bank of Manatee Creek being the southerly line of the mainland of the State of Florida and the existing boundary line between Dade County and 27 28 Monroe County; thence along the mainland to the range line 29 between ranges thirty-four and thirty-five east, thence due north on said range line to place of beginning. However, the 30 31 | boundary lines of Dade County shall not include the following:

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Begin at the northwest corner of section thirty-five, township fifty-one south, range forty-two east, Dade County, Florida; thence, southerly following the west line of section thirty-five, township fifty-one south, range forty-two east to the intersection with a line which is two hundred and thirty feet south of and parallel to the north line of section thirty-five, township fifty-one south, range forty-two east; thence, easterly following the line which is two hundred and thirty feet south of and parallel to the north line of section thirty-five, township fifty-one south, range forty-two east, to the intersection with the west boundary line of the Town of Golden Beach; thence, northerly following the west boundary line of the Town of Golden Beach to the intersection with the north line of section thirty-five, township fifty-one south, range forty-two east; thence, westerly following the north line of section thirty-five, township fifty-one south, range forty-two east to the point of beginning.

(2) The following area is excluded from Dade County:
Beginning at the southeast corner of Section 20, Township 53
South, Range 41 East, run 660 feet northwardly along the east
line of Section 20 to a point, such point being the Point of
Beginning. From the Point of Beginning run northwardly along
the east line of Section 20, such east line of Section 20 also
being the west line of Section 21, Township 53 South, Range 41
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corner of the south half of the south half of the northwest quarter of the southwest quarter of Section 16; thence run 2 3 westwardly along the north line of the south half of the south 4 half of the northwest quarter of the southwest quarter of 5 Section 16 to a point, such point being the northwest corner 6 of the south half of the south half of the northwest quarter 7 of the southwest quarter of Section 16; thence run northwardly 8 along the west line of Sections 16 and 9, Township 53 South, Range 41 East, such line also being the east line of Sections 9 10 17 and 8, Township 53 South, Range 41 East, to a point, such 11 point being the point of intersection of the easterly extension of the north line of East 28th Street, such line 12 13 also being the south line of Block 84 B of the Amended Plat of 14 the Amended Plat of Thirteenth Addition to Hialeah according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 34, at page 26, 15 of the Public Records of Dade County, Florida, with the east 16 17 line of Section 8; thence run westwardly along the south line of Block 84 B to a Lot 29 of Block 84 B; thence run 18 19 northwardly along the east lines of Lots 29 and 2 of Block 84 B and lots 29 and 2, Block 77 B, and the northerly extensions 20 thereof, of the Amended Plat of the Amended Plat of Thirteenth 21 Addition to Hialeah, to a point, such point being a point of 22 intersection of the east lines of Lots 29 and 2, Block 84 B 23 24 and Lots 29 and 2, Block 77 B and the northerly extensions 25 thereof, with a line 30 feet northerly of, and parallel with, the north line of Block 77 B; thence run eastwardly along that 26 line, which lies 30 feet northerly of, and parallel with, the 27 north line of Block 77 B, to a point, such point being a point 28 29 of intersection of that line, which lies 30 feet northerly of, and parallel with, the north line of Block 77 B, with the 30 31 southerly extension of the east line of Block 4 of Bing's

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East, and through Sections 18, 19, 20, and 29, Township 53 South, Range 41 East, to a point, such point being a point of 2 3 intersection of the center line of the Miami Canal west half 4 of the northeast quarter of the northeast quarter of Section 5 29; thence run north along the east line of the west half of 6 the northeast quarter of the northeast quarter of Section 29 7 to a point, such point being the northeast corner of the west 8 half of the northeast quarter of the northeast quarter of Section 29; thence run eastwardly along the north line of 9 10 Section 29, such north line of Section 29 also being the south 11 line of Section 20, Township 53 South, Range 41 East, to a point 660 feet westerly of the southeast corner of Section 20, 12 as measured along the south line of Section 20; thence run 13 northwardly along a line 660 feet westerly of, and parallel 14 with, the east line of Section 20, for a distance of 660 feet 15 to a point; thence run eastwardly along a line northerly of, 16 17 and parallel with, the south line of Section 20, for a distance of 660 feet to the Point of Beginning. However, the 18 19 following parcel of land is included in Dade County: Commence at a Point of Beginning, such Point of 20 Beginning being the northeast corner of the south half of the 21 south half of Section 36, Township 52 South, Range 40 East; 22 thence run westwardly along the north line of the south half 23 24 of the south half of Section 36 to the southwest corner of the east half of the west half of the northeast quarter of the 25 southwest quarter of Section 36; thence run northwardly along 26 27 the west line of the east half of the west half of the 28 northeast quarter of the southwest quarter of Section 36 to 29 the northwest corner of the east half of the west half of the northeast quarter of the southwest quarter of Section 36; 30 31 thence run eastwardly along the north line of the southwest

quarter of Section 36 to a point, such point being the center point of Section 36; thence run along the south line of the 2 3 northeast quarter of Section 36 at a bearing of South 87 degrees, 44 minutes, 10 seconds East, a distance of 1,565.04 4 5 feet to a point; thence run North O degrees, 1 minute, 8 6 seconds East, a distance of 999.33 feet to a point of curvature; thence continue in a northerly and northeasterly 7 8 direction along the arc of a circle to the right, with a radius of 490.69 feet, a central angle of 30 degrees, 17 9 10 minutes, 5 seconds, for an arc distance of 259.36 feet to a 11 point; thence run South 87 degrees, 45 minutes, 26 seconds East along a line for a distance of 1,010.75 feet to a point 12 on the east line of Section 36; thence run southwardly along 13 the east line of Section 36 a distance of 2,570.41 feet, more 14 15 or less, to the Point of Beginning. All real property the title to which is 16 Section 3. 17 vested in Dade County and which is located within the area comprising Hialeah County is transferred to Hialeah County on 18 19 the effective date of this act. Personal property the title to which is vested in Dade County is transferred to Hialeah 20 County on the effective date of this act in an amount equal to 21 the proportion which the assessed value of taxable property in 22 the area comprising Hialeah County bears to the assessed value 23 24 of taxable property in Dade County as of the previous January 1. Hialeah County shall assume responsibility for the 25 obligations of Dade County which exist on the effective date 26 27 of this act in an amount equal to the proportion which the 28 assessed value of taxable property in the area comprising 29 Hialeah County bears to the assessed value of taxable property in Dade County as of the previous January 1. 30

Section 4. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Board of County Commissioners of Dade County shall call and hold special elections that coincide with the 2000 primary and general elections at which officers for Hialeah County shall be selected. The Board of County Commissioners of Hialeah County shall reimburse Dade County for any costs of conducting the election required by this section which are in excess of the costs that would otherwise be incurred. Electors of the area comprising Hialeah County are eligible to vote in such elections.

Section 5. This act shall take effect only upon the approval by a majority vote of those qualified electors residing within the proposed Hialeah County boundaries as described in section 1, voting in a referendum election to be called by the Miami-Dade County Commission and to be held on September 1, 1999, in accordance with the provisions of law relating to elections currently in force.

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STATEMENT OF SUBSTANTIAL CHANGES CONTAINED IN COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR Senate Bill 88

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The CS differs from the bill in that it prohibits the creation of the new county until it is approved by a majority vote of qualified electors of the proposed Hialeah County.

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