

By Representative C. Green

1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to Lee County and the City of
3 Fort Myers; amending section 4, chapter 98-488,
4 Laws of Florida; providing for an alternative
5 annexation referendum in certain enclaves only;
6 providing for separate vote on an interlocal
7 agreement by electors in the city and electors
8 in certain enclave areas proposed to be
9 annexed; 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. Section 4 of chapter 98-488, Laws of
14 Florida, is amended to read:

15 Section 4. (1) Subsequent to the adoption of the
16 interlocal agreement between the city and the county, and
17 prior to the implementation of the proposed annexation by the
18 city of the described "Dunbar" and "Belle Vue" enclaves, a
19 referendum shall be held by the city in the City of Fort Myers
20 and within the proposed, described enclave areas to be
21 annexed, or at the election of the city, within the described
22 enclave areas to be annexed only,for the ratification and
23 approval of the interlocal agreement by the registered
24 electorates therein pursuant to the provisions of s. 171.0413,
25 Florida Statutes, as amended.

26 (2) The interlocal agreement shall be presented
27 ~~separately to the registered voters residing within the city~~
28 ~~and the~~ registered voters residing within the proposed annexed
29 areas as further described in section 2 of this act. The city
30 may also elect to submit the interlocal agreement to a
31 separate vote of the registered voters residing within the

1 city at the same time the referendum is held in the proposed
2 enclave areas.The procedures for conducting the referendum
3 shall be pursuant to the requirements as set out at s.
4 171.0413(2), Florida Statutes. Upon a majority vote, of the
5 votes cast, in favor of the interlocal agreement by the
6 registered electors of the City of Fort Myers or ~~and~~ a
7 majority of the votes cast by the combined registered electors
8 residing in both the "Dunbar" and "Belle Vue" areas, the
9 interlocal agreement shall be deemed to be ratified and
10 approved, and shall become effective as provided for in the
11 interlocal agreement, but otherwise for not more than 1 year
12 following the referendum. The referendum for ratification and
13 approval of the interlocal agreement for annexation may be
14 conducted by the city at any regular election following the
15 adoption of the interlocal agreement by the city and the
16 county.

17 Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a
18 law.

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