

By Senator McKay

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See HB 271

1                                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to advertisement of real  
3           property with delinquent taxes; amending ss.  
4           197.402 and 197.403, F.S.; reducing the number  
5           of times such advertisement must be made;  
6           providing an effective date.

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

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10           Section 1. Subsection (3) of section 197.402, Florida  
11 Statutes, is amended to read:

12           197.402 Advertisement of real or personal property  
13 with delinquent taxes.--

14           (3) Except as provided in s. 197.432(4), on or before  
15 June 1 or the 60th day after the date of delinquency,  
16 whichever is later, the tax collector shall advertise one time  
17 ~~once each week for 3 weeks~~ and shall sell tax certificates on  
18 all real property with delinquent taxes. The tax collector  
19 shall make a list of such properties in the same order in  
20 which the lands were assessed, specifying the amount due on  
21 each parcel, including interest at the rate of 18 percent per  
22 year from the date of delinquency to the date of sale; the  
23 cost of advertising; and the expense of sale. The advertising  
24 required by this subsection shall occur at least 21 days prior  
25 to the tax certificate sale.

26           Section 2. Section 197.403, Florida Statutes, is  
27 amended to read:

28           197.403 Publisher to furnish copy of advertisement to  
29 tax collector; proof of publication; fees.--The newspaper  
30 publishing the notice of a tax sale shall transmit by mail a  
31 copy of the paper containing the ~~each~~ notice to the tax

1 collector within 10 days after ~~the last required~~ publication.  
2 When the publication of the tax sale notice is completed as  
3 provided by law, the publisher shall make an affidavit, in the  
4 form prescribed by the department, which shall be delivered to  
5 the tax collector and annexed to the report of certificates  
6 sold for taxes as provided by s. 197.432(8).

7 Section 3. This act shall take effect January 1, 2001.

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10 HOUSE SUMMARY

11 Reduces from three times to once the number of times real  
12 property with delinquent taxes must be advertised before  
13 the tax certificate sale.

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