

By Representative Goodlette

1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to the Immokalee Fire Control
3 District, Collier County; providing legislative
4 intent; providing for a codification of the
5 special laws relating to the Immokalee Fire
6 Control District pursuant to s. 191.015, F.S.;
7 codifying, reenacting, and amending all prior
8 special acts; creating and establishing a fire
9 control and rescue district as an independent
10 district in Collier County and fixing the
11 boundaries of the district; providing for a
12 governing body; prescribing the powers of the
13 board; authorizing the board to establish and
14 maintain emergency medical services and
15 equipment; authorizing the board to make
16 policies, rules, regulations, and a fire code;
17 providing for assessing and collecting taxes,
18 assessments, impact fees, and user charges;
19 providing that this act shall be construed
20 liberally; providing for severability;
21 providing for the repeal of chapters 55-30666,
22 57-1236, 78-490, 80-485, 87-499, 88-513,
23 91-368, and 98-489, Laws of Florida, as said
24 laws relate to the district; providing an
25 effective date.

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

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29 Section 1. Pursuant to section 191.015, Florida
30 Statutes, this act constitutes the codification of all special
31 acts relating to the Immokalee Fire Control District. It is

1 the intent of the Legislature to provide a single,
2 comprehensive special act charter for the Immokalee Fire
3 Control District which includes all current legislative
4 authority granted to the district by general law and by its
5 several legislative enactments, as said laws may be amended
6 from time to time, and any additional authority granted by
7 this act.

8 Section 2. Chapters 55-30666, 57-1236, 78-490, 80-485,
9 87-499, 88-513, 91-368, and 98-489, Laws of Florida, relating
10 to the Immokalee Fire Control District, are hereby codified,
11 reenacted, and amended as herein provided.

12 Section 3. The Immokalee Fire Control District is
13 re-created and the charter for such district is re-created and
14 reenacted to read:

15 Section 1. There is hereby made, created and
16 established the Immokalee Fire Control District, an
17 independent special district, hereinafter referred to as the
18 district, through the codification and reenactment of the
19 district's several legislative enactments, which shall include
20 the following described lands:

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22 Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12,
23 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24,
24 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, and
25 36 of Township 46 South Range 28 East and
26 Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12,
27 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24,
28 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, and
29 36 of Township 46 South Range 29 East and
30 Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12,
31 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24,

1 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35,
2 and 36 of Township 46 South Range 30 East and
3 Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12,
4 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24,
5 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, and
6 36 of Township 47 South Range 29 East and
7 Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12,
8 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24,
9 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35,
10 and 36 of Township 47 South Range 30 East and
11 Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12,
12 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, and 18 of Township 48 South
13 Range 29 East and Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7,
14 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19,
15 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31,
16 32, 33, 34, 35, and 36 of Township 48 South
17 Range 30 East. All of said land being located
18 in Collier County as set forth in public
19 records thereof.

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21 Section 2. Governing body.--The district shall be
22 governed by a board which shall consist of five resident
23 electors of the district elected by a vote of the electors of
24 the district pursuant to the laws of Florida, as said laws may
25 be amended from time to time.

26 Section 3. Officers; powers.--Within 60 days after the
27 election of members of the board, the members shall meet and
28 elect from the membership a chairman, a vice chairman, a
29 secretary, and a treasurer; provided, however, the same member
30 may be both secretary and treasurer. The district shall have
31 and the board may exercise those general and special powers

1 prescribed by chapter 191, Florida Statutes, or any other
2 applicable general law or special law, as said laws may be
3 amended from time to time.

4 Section 4. Emergency medical and rescue response
5 services.--The district is authorized to establish and
6 maintain emergency medical and rescue response services and
7 acquire and maintain rescue, medical, transport, and other
8 emergency equipment, as prescribed by general law and special
9 law, as said laws may be amended from time to time.

10 Section 5. Policies, rules and regulations, and fire
11 code.--The board is authorized to make and adopt policies,
12 rules, regulations, and a fire code for the prevention of
13 fires, for fire control, and for the provision of rescue
14 services within the district. Such policies, rules,
15 regulations, and fire code shall be adopted in accordance with
16 applicable general law and special law, as said laws may be
17 amended from time to time.

18 Section 6. Taxes; non-ad valorem assessments; impact
19 fees; user charges.--The district board shall fix and cause to
20 be levied on all property of the district, a millage
21 sufficient to meet the requirements of the adopted budget;
22 provided, however, 2 mills is the maximum that can be levied
23 in any 1 year, except as provided in chapter 191, Florida
24 Statutes, or any other applicable general law or special law,
25 as said laws may be amended from time to time. In addition,
26 the district shall have such authority to levy non-ad valorem
27 assessments and charge impact fees and user charges as
28 prescribed in chapter 191, Florida Statutes, and all other
29 applicable general law or special law, as said laws may be
30 amended from time to time.

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1 Section 7. Assessment and collection of taxes,
2 assessments, impact fees, and user charges.--Taxes,
3 assessments, impact fees, and user charges as provided herein
4 shall be assessed and collected in the manner prescribed by
5 applicable general law or special law, as said laws may be
6 amended from time to time.

7 Section 4. This act shall be construed as a remedial
8 act and shall be liberally construed to promote the purpose
9 for which it is intended which is a codification, reenactment,
10 and repeal of the several legislative enactments of the
11 district.

12 Section 5. If any clause, section, or provision of
13 this act is declared unconstitutional or invalid for any cause
14 or reason it shall be eliminated from this act, and the
15 remaining portion of the act shall remain in full force and
16 effect as if said unconstitutional or invalid portion had not
17 been incorporated herein.

18 Section 6. Chapters 55-30666, 57-1236, 78-490, 80-485,
19 87-499, 88-513, 91-368, and 98-489, Laws of Florida, as said
20 laws relate to the district, are repealed.

21 Section 7. This act shall take effect upon becoming a
22 law.

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