1 2 An act relating to the Sarasota County Public 3 Hospital Board, Sarasota County; amending 4 chapter 26468, Laws of Florida, 1949, as 5 amended, to provide that candidates for 6 hospital board seats shall be grouped by seat 7 as provided in the Florida Election Code; providing an effective date. 8 9 10 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: 11 12 Section 1. Whereas the Sarasota County Public Hospital Board has determined the election of its Board members will be 13 14 conducted by the supervisor of elections as authorized by Section 189.405(2)(a), Subsection (3) of Section 1 of Chapter 15 26468, Laws of Florida, 1949, as amended by Chapter 86-373, 16 17 Laws of Florida, is amended to read: 18 Section 1. 19 (3) The membership of the hospital board shall consist 20 of nine members, all of whom must be qualified electors of the Sarasota County Public Hospital District. Commencing with the 21 22 election of 1988, two such members must reside in each of said hospital board districts. All members shall be elected in a 23 partisan election by the qualified electors of the Sarasota 24 County Public Hospital District. Two members who are residents 25 26 of the southern district shall be elected to district seats in 1986 and every fourth year thereafter; two members who are 27 residents of the northern district shall be elected to 28 29 district seats in 1986 and every fourth year thereafter; one member who is a resident of the central district shall be 30 elected to a district seat in 1986 and every fourth year 31 1

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thereafter; one member who is a resident of the central 1 district shall be elected to a district seat in 1988 and every 2 3 fourth year thereafter; and three members shall be elected to 4 at-large seats in 1988 and every fourth year thereafter. 5 Candidates for the six district seats and the three at-large seats shall not be numerically or otherwise grouped for a б 7 specific seat on primary or general election ballots, as provided in the Florida Election Code.although Candidates for 8 9 district seats shall be placed in districts on primary and general election ballots. In any year in which hospital board 10 district seats are to be filled, the hospital board district 11 12 (northern, central, or southern) shall be printed on the ballot beneath the name of the office. The format of the 13 14 ballot shall be in conformity with the Florida Election Code. The names of candidates in the district shall be arranged 15 16 thereunder, followed by printed words instructing the voters 17 to vote for the number of candidates to be elected from such hospital board district in that year. In any year in which 18 19 at-large seats are to filled, the names of candidates for the 20 at-large seats shall be printed on the ballot beneath the name of the office in a single group, which shall be followed by 21 printed words instructing the voters to vote for the number of 22 23 candidates to be elected to at-large seats in that year. Four members, who were elected for 4-year terms in the election of 24 November 1982, and one member who was elected for a 2-year 25 26 term in the election of 1984, shall serve until the expiration of their terms of office; and five members shall be elected 27 for 4-year terms in 1986 and each fourth year thereafter. Four 28 29 members, who were elected for 4-year terms in the election of November 1984, shall serve until the expiration of their terms 30 31

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