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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to Central County Water Control District, Hendry County; amending ch. 2000-415, Laws of Florida; requiring that the supervisors of the district be elected by a vote of qualified electors residing in the district; establishing procedures and extending certain supervisor terms for the implementation of this act; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Section 9 of section 3 of chapter 2000-415, Laws of Florida, is amended to read:

Section 9. Board of supervisors membership.--

(1) Definition.-- As used in this section, the term "qualified elector" means any person at least 18 years of age who is a citizen of the United States, a permanent resident of Florida, and a resident of the district who registers with the Supervisor of Elections of Hendry County in accordance with the election laws of this state.

(2) Composition of board of supervisors.--

(a) The number of members of the district board of supervisors shall be 5. ~~At each annual meeting of the district, two supervisors will be elected for 3-year terms, except that in elections held at the annual meetings in 2000 and every third year thereafter on supervisor will be elected for a 3-year term.~~

(b) The board members shall be elected by the qualified electors of the district in accordance with the laws of Florida governing nonpartisan elections.



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(c) Supervisors shall be qualified electors of the district.

(3) Terms of office.--

(a) Each supervisor elected by qualified electors shall serve a term of 4 years.

(b) The terms of each supervisor of the district holding office on the effective date of this act shall be extended until the second Tuesday following the next general election held after said supervisor's term would have otherwise expired.

(c) If a vacancy occurs in a seat occupied by a governing board member, the remaining members of the board of supervisors shall, within 60 days of receipt of a resignation or notice of a member's death or other disqualification, appoint a person who would be eligible to hold the office until the next general election held at least 160 days after the appointment. At such election, a supervisor shall be elected for the remainder of the term of the vacating member.

Section 2. Section 1 of this act shall take effect only upon its approval by a majority vote of the qualified electors of the district, as defined in this act, to be held at the district's annual meeting in April, 2003, except that section 2 of this act shall take effect upon becoming a law.