By Senator Saunders

37-726-03 See HB 301 A bill to be entitled 1 2 An act relating to the East County Water 3 Control District, Hendry and Lee Counties; 4 amending ch. 2000-423, Laws of Florida; 5 providing for the apportionment of maintenance 6 taxes equitably to all equally benefited 7 properties; providing an effective date. 8 9 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: 10 11 Section 1. Section 3 of section 3 of chapter 2000-423, Laws of Florida, is amended to read: 12 Section 3. Maintenance assessments. -- Maintenance 13 assessments as provided for under section 298.54, Florida 14 Statutes, shall be apportioned upon the basis of the net 15 assessments of benefits assessed as accruing from original 16 17 construction and any subsequent improvements, and shall be due and collected pursuant to section 298.54, Florida Statutes, 18 19 chapter 197, Florida Statutes, and this act. Provided, nothing 20 herein shall prevent the Board of Supervisors from 21 apportioning maintenance taxes for the maintenance of the 22 district facilities equally to all benefited acres if the Board of Supervisors determines that benefits are 23 substantially equal for benefited acreage throughout the 24 25 District. Said assessments shall be a lien until paid on the 26 property against which assessed and enforceable in like manner 27 as county taxes. 28 Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a 29 law. 30 31