1	HB 0373, Engrossed 1 A bill to be entitled
2	An act relating to water policy; amending s. 373.069, F.S.;
3	revising boundaries of the Southwest Florida Water Management
4	District and the South Florida Water Management District;
5	amending s. 373.0691, F.S.; providing for the transfer of land
6	and other incidentals from the Southwest Florida Water
7	Management District to the South Florida Water Management
8	District; amending s. 373.073, F.S.; removing Highlands County
9	from the Southwest Florida Water Management District's governing
10	board; providing an effective date.
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12	Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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14	Section 1. Paragraphs (d) and (e) of subsection (2) of
15	section 373.069, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
16	373.069 Creation of water management districts
17	(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of any other special or
18	general act to the contrary, the boundaries of the respective
19	districts named in subsection (1) shall include the areas within
20	the following boundaries:
21	(d) Southwest Florida Water Management DistrictBegin at
22	the intersection of the north boundary of Lee County with the
23	Gulf of Mexico; thence eastward along the Lee-Charlotte County
24	line to the Southeast corner of Section 33, Township 42 South,
25	Range 24 East; thence North into Charlotte County, along the
26	section lines to the Northeast corner of Section 4, Township 42
27	South, Range 24 East; thence East along the township line
28	between Townships 41 and 42 South to the Southeast corner of
29	Section 36, Township 41 South, Range 25 East; thence north along

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HB 0373, Engrossed 1 2004 59 along the ¹/₄-section line of Sections 35, 26, and 23, Township 60 38 South, Range 30 East to the northeast corner of the west $\frac{1}{4}/4$ section of Section 23, Township 38 South, Range 30 East; thence 61 62 west along the section line to the northwest corner of Section 23, Township 38 South, Range 30 East; thence north along the 63 64 section line to the northwest corner of Section 2, Township 37 65 South, Range 30 East; thence west along the township line to the southwest corner of Section 34, Township 36 South, Range 30 66 East; thence north along the section line to the northwest 67 corner of Section 3, Township 36 South, Range 30 East; thence 68 69 west along the township line to the southwest corner of Section 70 31, Township 35 South, Range 30 East; thence north along the 71 range line between Ranges 29 and 30 East, through Townships 35, 72 34, and 33 South, to the northeast corner of Township 33 South, 73 Range 29 East, being on the Highlands-Polk County line; thence 74 west along the Highlands-Polk County line to the southeast corner of Township 32 South, Range 28 East; thence north along 75 76 the range line between Ranges 28 and 29 East, in Townships 32 77 and 31 South, to the northeast corner of Section 12 in Township 78 31 South, Range 28 East; thence east along the section line to the northeast corner of Section 7, Township 31 South, Range 29 79 80 East; thence north along the section line to the northwest corner of Section 17, Township 30 South, Range 29 East; thence 81 east along the section line to the northeast corner of the west 82 $\frac{1}{2}$ of Section 17, Township 30 South, Range 29 East; thence north 83 along the 1/2-section line to the northeast corner of the west 1/284 85 of Section 5, Township 30 South, Range 29 East; thence west along the section line to the southwest corner of Section 32, 86 87 Township 29 South, Range 29 East; thence north along the section Page 3 of 15

HB 0373, Engrossed 1 2004 88 line to the northeast corner of Section 19 in Township 29 South, 89 Range 29 East; thence west along the north boundaries of Section 19, Township 29 South, Range 29 East, and Sections 24, 23, 22, 90 21, and 20, Township 29 South, Range 28 East, to the northwest 91 92 corner of said Section 20; thence north along the section line to the intersection of said section line with the west shore 93 94 line of Lake Pierce in Township 29 South, Range 28 East; thence following the west shore of Lake Pierce to its intersection 95 again with the west section line of Section 5, Township 29 96 97 South, Range 28 East; thence north along the section line to the northwest corner of Section 5, Township 29 South, Range 28 East; 98 99 thence east along the township line to the southwest corner of Section 33, Township 28 South, Range 28 East; thence north along 100 the section line to the northwest corner of the southwest $^{1}/_{4}$ of 101 the southwest $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 28, Township 28 South, Range 28 102 East; thence east along the 1/4-section line to the intersection 103 of said 1/4-section line with Lake Pierce; thence follow the 104 shore line northeasterly to its intersection with the $^{1}/_{2}$ -section 105 line of Section 28, Township 28 South, Range 28 East; thence 106 north on the 1/2-section line to the northwest corner of the 107 southeast 1/4 of Section 28, Township 28 South, Range 28 East; 108 thence east to the northeast corner of the southeast $^{1}/_{4}$ of 109 Section 28, Township 28 South, Range 28 East; thence south along 110 the section line to the northwest corner of Section 3, Township 111 29 South, Range 28 East; thence east along the section line to 112 the northeast corner of Section 3, Township 29 South, Range 28 113 114 East; thence north along the section line to the northwest corner of Section 23, Township 28 South, Range 28 East; thence 115 116 west along the section line to the southwest corner of Section

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2004 16, Township 28 South, Range 28 East; thence north along the

118 section line to the northwest corner of Section 16, Township 28 119 South, Range 28 East; thence west along the section line to the southwest corner of Section 8, Township 28 South, Range 28 East; 120 121 thence north along the section line to the northwest corner of 122 Section 5, Township 28 South, Range 28 East; thence west along 123 the township line to the intersection of said township line with 124 Lake Marion; thence following the south shore line of Lake 125 Marion to its intersection again with said township line; thence 126 west along the township line to the southeast corner of Section 127 36, Township 37 South, Range 27 East; thence north along the 128 range line between Ranges 27 and 28 East to the intersection of 129 said range line with Lake Marion; thence following the west 130 shore of Lake Marion to its intersection again with the range 131 line between Ranges 27 and 28 East; thence north along said range line, in Townships 27 and 26 South, to the northeast 132 133 corner of Township 26 South, Range 27 East, being on the Polk-134 Osceola County line; thence west along the Polk-Osceola County 135 line to the northwest corner of Township 26 South, Range 27 136 East; thence north along the section line to the Lake-Polk County line; thence west along the county line to the southwest 137 corner of Section 32, Township 24 South, Range 26 East; thence 138 into Lake County, north along the section lines to the northeast 139 corner of Section 30, Township 24 South, Range 26 East; thence 140 west along the section lines to the northeast corner of Section 141 28, Township 24 South, Range 25 East; thence north along the 142 143 section lines to the northeast corner of Section 16, Township 24 South, Range 25 East; thence west along the section line to the 144 145 northwest corner of Section 16, Township 24 South, Range 25

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HB 0373, Engrossed 1 2004 146 East; thence north along the section line to the northeast 147 corner of Section 8, Township 24 South, Range 25 East; thence west along the section lines to the range line between Ranges 24 148 and 25; thence north along the range line to the northeast 149 150 corner of Section 1, Township 23 South, Range 24 East, also 151 being on the township line between Townships 22 and 23 South; 152 thence west along the township line to the northwest corner of 153 Section 6, Township 23 South, Range 24 East also being on the 154 Sumter-Lake County line; thence north along the Sumter-Lake 155 County line, also being the range line between Ranges 23 and 24, to the northeast corner of Section 1, Township 18 South, Range 156 157 23 East and the Marion County line; thence west, along the 158 Sumter-Marion County line, also being the township line between 159 Townships 17 and 18 South, to the westerly right-of-way line of 160 Interstate Highway 75; thence northerly along the westerly 161 right-of-way line of Interstate Highway 75 to the Alachua-Marion 162 County line, said line also being the township line between 163 Townships 11 and 12 South; thence west along the Alachua-Marion 164 County line to the northwest corner of Section 3, Township 12 165 South, Range 19 East and the Levy County line; thence westerly along the Levy-Alachua County line, also being the township line 166 167 between Townships 11 and 12 South, to the southeast corner of Section 36, Township 11 South, Range 17 East; thence north along 168 the Levy-Alachua County line, also being the range line between 169 170 Ranges 17 and 18 East, to the southerly right-of-way line of 171 State Road No. 24; thence southwesterly along said southerly 172 right-of-way line to the easterly right-of-way line of State Road No. 337; thence southerly, along said easterly right-of-way 173 174 line of State Road No. 337, to the south line of Section 35,

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HB 0373, Engrossed 1 2004 175 Township 14 South, Range 17 East; thence west along the section 176 line to the northwest corner of Section 3, Township 15 South, Range 17 East; thence south along the section lines to the 177 southwest corner of Section 27, Township 15 South, Range 17 178 East; thence west to the Gulf of Mexico; thence south along the 179 Gulf of Mexico, including the waters of said gulf within the 180 181 jurisdiction of the State of Florida, to the point of beginning. South Florida Water Management District. -- Begin at the 182 (e) intersection of the north boundary of Lee County with the Gulf 183 of Mexico; thence easterly along the Lee-Charlotte County line 184 to the southwest corner of Section 34, Township 42 South, Range 185 186 24 East; thence northerly along the section lines to the northwest corner of Section 3, Township 42 South, Range 24 East; 187 188 thence easterly along the Township line between Townships 41 and 189 42 South to the southwest corner of Section 31, Township 41 190 South, Range 26 East; thence northerly along the Range line 191 between Ranges 25 and 26 East to the northwest corner of Section 192 6, Township 41 South, Range 26 East; thence easterly along the 193 Township line between Townships 40 and 41 South to the southwest 194 corner of Section 31, Township 40 South, Range 27 East; thence northerly along the Range line between Ranges 26 and 27 East to 195 196 the Charlotte-DeSoto County line; thence easterly along the Charlotte-Desoto County line to the west line of Highlands 197 County; thence northerly along the Highlands-Desoto County line 198 199 and along the Highlands-Hardee County line to the northwest corner of Section 6, Township 33 South, Range 28 East; thence 200 201 east Township 36 South, Range 28 East; thence east along the north boundary of Township 36 South to the northeast corner of 202 203 Section 1, Township 36 South, Range 28 East; thence south along

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HB 0373, Engrossed 1 2004 204 the range line to the southeast corner of Section 12, Township 205 37 South, Range 28 East; thence east along the section line to 206 the northeast corner of Section 15, Township 37 South, Range 29 207 East; thence south along the section line to the southeast 208 corner of Section 34, Township 37 South, Range 29 East; thence 209 east along the township line to the northeast corner of Section 210 1, Township 38 South, Range 29 East; thence south along the 211 range line to the southeast corner of Section 1, Township 39 212 South, Range 29 East; thence east along the section line to the 213 northwest corner of Section 11, Township 39 South, Range 30 214 East; thence north along the section line to the southwest 215 corner of Section 35, Township 38 South, Range 30 East; thence 216 east along the township line to the southeast corner of the west 217 ⁺/₄ of Section 35, Township 38 South, Range 30 East; thence north along the ¹/₄-section line of Sections 35, 26, and 23, Township 218 219 38 South, Range 30 East to the northeast corner of the west $\frac{1}{4}/4$ 220 section of Section 23, Township 38 South, Range 30 East; thence 221 west along the section line to the northwest corner of Section 222 23, Township 38 South, Range 30 East; thence north along the 223 section line to the northwest corner of Section 2, Township 37 224 South, Range 30 East; thence west along the township line to the 225 southwest corner of Section 34, Township 36 South, Range 30 226 East; thence north along the section line to the northwest 227 corner of Section 3, Township 36 South, Range 30 East; thence 228 west along the township line to the southwest corner of Section 229 31, Township 35 South, Range 30 East; thence north along the 230 range line between Ranges 29 and 30 East, through Townships 35, 231 34, and 33 South, to the northwest corner of Township 33 South, 232 Range 30 East, being on the Highlands-Polk County line; thence

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2004 233 west along the Highlands-Polk County line to the southwest 234 corner of Township 32 South, Range 29 East; thence north along the range line between Ranges 28 and 29 East, in Townships 32 235 and 31 South, to the northwest corner of Section 7 in Township 236 237 31 South, Range 29 East; thence east along the section line to the northeast corner of Section 7, Township 31 South, Range 29 238 239 East; thence north along the section line to the northwest 240 corner of Section 17, Township 30 South, Range 29 East; thence east along the section line to the northeast corner of the west 241 $1/_2$ of Section 17, Township 30 South, Range 29 East; thence north 242 along the 1/2-section line to the northeast corner of the west 1/2243 244 of Section 5, Township 30 South, Range 29 East; thence west 245 along the section line to the southwest corner of Section 32, 246 Township 29 South, Range 29 East; thence north along the section 247 line to the northeast corner of Section 19 in Township 29 South, 248 Range 29 East; thence west along the south boundaries of Section 18, Township 29 South, Range 29 East and Sections 13, 14, 15, 249 16, and 17 in Township 29 South, Range 28 East, to the southwest 250 corner of said Section 17; thence north along the section line 251 252 to the intersection of said section line with the west shore 253 line of Lake Pierce in Township 29 South, Range 28 East; thence 254 following the west shore of Lake Pierce to its intersection 255 again with the west section line of Section 5, Township 29 256 South, Range 28 East; thence north along the section line to the 257 northwest corner of Section 5, Township 29 South, Range 28 East; thence east along the township line to the southwest corner of 258 259 Section 33, Township 28 South, Range 28 East; thence north along 260 the section line to the northwest corner of the southwest $^{1}/_{4}$ of the southwest $^{1}/_{4}$ of Section 28, Township 28 South, Range 28 261

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HB 0373, Engrossed 1 2004 East; thence east along the 1/4-section line to the intersection 262 263 of said 1/4-section line with Lake Pierce; thence follow the shore line northeasterly to its intersection with the 1/2-section 264 line of Section 28, Township 28 South, Range 28 East; thence 265 266 north on the 1/2-section line to the northwest corner of the southeast 1/4 of Section 28, Township 28 South, Range 28 East; 267 thence east along the 1/2-section line to the northeast corner of 268 the southeast 1/4 of Section 28, Township 28 South, Range 28 269 East; thence south along the section line to the northwest 270 corner of Section 3, Township 29 South, Range 28 East; thence 271 east along the section line to the northeast corner of Section 272 273 3, Township 29 South, Range 28 East; thence north along the 274 section line to the northwest corner of Section 23, Township 28 275 South, Range 28 East; thence west along the section line to the 276 southwest corner of Section 16, Township 28 South, Range 28 277 East; thence north along the section line to the northwest 278 corner of Section 16, Township 28 South, Range 28 East; thence west along the section line to the southwest corner of Section 279 8, Township 28 South, Range 28 East; thence north along the 280 281 section line to the northwest corner of Section 5, Township 28 South, Range 28 East; thence west along the township line to the 282 283 intersection of said township line with Lake Marion; thence following the south shore line of Lake Marion to its 284 intersection again with said township line; thence west along 285 the township line to the southeast corner of Section 36, 286 Township 27 South, Range 27 East; thence north along the range 287 288 line between Ranges 27 and 28 East to the intersection of said range line with Lake Marion; thence following the west shore of 289 290 Lake Marion to its intersection again with the range line

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HB 0373, Engrossed 1 2004 291 between Ranges 27 and 28 East; thence north along said range 292 line, in Townships 27 and 26 South, to the northwest corner of Township 26 South, Range 28 East, being on the Polk-Osceola 293 County line; thence west along the Polk-Osceola County line to 294 295 the southwest corner of Township 25 South, Range 27 East; thence 296 northerly along the range line between Ranges 26 and 27 East to 297 the northwest corner of Section 18, Township 23 South, Range 27 298 East; thence easterly along the section lines to the southwest 299 corner of Section 12, Township 23 South, Range 27 East; thence northerly along the section lines to the northwest corner of 300 Section 1, Township 23 South, Range 27 East; thence easterly 301 302 along the Township line between Townships 22 and 23 South to the 303 southwest corner of Section 31, Township 22 South, Range 29 304 East; thence northerly along the Range line between Ranges 28 305 and 29 East to the northwest corner of Section 30, Township 22 306 South, Range 29 East; thence easterly along the section lines to 307 the westerly right-of-way line of U.S. Highway 441; thence 308 southerly along the westerly right-of-way line to the 309 intersection with the northerly right-of-way line of State Road 310 528A; thence easterly along the northerly right-of-way line to the intersection with the northerly right-of-way line of State 311 312 Road 528, also known as the Bee Line Expressway; thence easterly along the northerly right-of-way line of State Road 528 to the 313 intersection with the range line between Township 23 South, 314 Range 31 East and Township 23 South, Range 32 East; thence 315 southerly along the Range line between Ranges 31 and 32 East to 316 317 the Orange-Osceola County line; thence easterly along said county line between Townships 24 and 25 South to the northeast 318 319 corner of Section 5, Township 25 South, Range 32 East; thence

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HB 0373, Engrossed 1 2004 320 southerly along the section lines to the southeast corner of 321 Section 32, Township 25 South, Range 32 East; thence easterly along the Township line between Townships 25 and 26 South to the 322 northeast corner of Section 1, Township 26 South, Range 32 East; 323 324 thence southerly along the Range line between Ranges 32 and 33 325 East to the southeast corner of Section 36, Township 27 South, 326 Range 32 East; thence westerly along the township line between 327 Townships 27 and 28 South, to the northeast corner of Section 1, 328 Township 28 South, Range 32 East; thence southerly along the Range line between Ranges 32 and 33 East to the southeast corner 329 330 of Section 36, Township 29 South, Range 32 East; thence easterly 331 along the Township line between Townships 29 and 30 South to the 332 northeast corner of Section 1, Township 30 South, Range 33 East; 333 thence southerly along the Range line between Ranges 33 and 34 334 East to the southeast corner of Section 36, Township 30 South, 335 Range 33 East; thence westerly along the Township line between 336 Townships 30 and 31 South to the northeast corner of Section 4, 337 Township 31 South, Range 33 East; thence southerly along the 338 section lines to the Osceola-Okeechobee County line; thence 339 easterly along said county line to the northeast corner of Section 3, Township 33 South, Range 34 East; thence southerly 340 341 along the section lines to the southeast corner of Section 34, 342 Township 34 South, Range 34 East; thence easterly along the Township line between Townships 34 and 35 South to the southwest 343 344 corner of Section 36, Township 34 South, Range 35 East; thence northerly along the section lines to the northwest corner of 345 346 Section 13, Township 34 South, Range 35 East; thence easterly along the section line to the Range line between Ranges 35 and 347 348 36 East; thence northerly along said Range line to the northwest

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349	HB 0373, Engrossed 1 corner of Section 18, Township 34 South, Range 36 East; thence
350	easterly along the section lines to the southwest corner of
351	Section 10, Township 34 south, Range 36 East; thence northerly
352	along the section line to the northwest corner of said Section
353	10; thence easterly along the section lines to the Okeechobee-
354	St. Lucie County line; thence northerly along said county line
355	to the south line of Indian River County; thence easterly along
356	the St. Lucie-Indian River County line to the Atlantic Ocean;
357	thence southerly along the Atlantic Ocean to the Gulf of Mexico;
358	thence northerly along the Gulf of Mexico, including the waters
359	of said Ocean and of said Gulf and the islands therein within
360	the jurisdiction of the State of Florida, to the point of
361	beginning.
362	Section 2. Present subsection (3) of section 373.0691,
363	Florida Statutes, is renumbered as subsection (4), and a new
364	subsection (3) is added to said section to read:
365	373.0691 Transfer of areas
366	(3) Effective at 12:01 a.m. on July 1, 2004, that portion
367	of Highlands County formerly within the Southwest Florida Water
368	Management District as set forth in s. 373.069 is transferred to
369	the South Florida Water Management District. With respect to the
370	area transferred and at the time of the change of boundaries,
371	all contractual obligations of the Southwest Florida Water
372	Management District, all real property interests owned by the
373	Southwest Florida Water Management District, all regulatory
374	responsibilities of the Southwest Florida Water Management
375	District, all equipment and other personal property used solely
376	by the Southwest Florida Water Management District in that area,

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and all records of the Southwest Florida Water Management

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378 <u>District shall be transferred and delivered to the South Florida</u>
379 Water Management District.

380 Section 3. Paragraph (e) of subsection (2) of section381 373.073, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

382 373.073 Governing board.--

383 (2) Membership on governing boards shall be selected from 384 candidates who have significant experience in one or more of the following areas, including, but not limited to: agriculture, the 385 386 development industry, local government, government-owned or 387 privately owned water utilities, law, civil engineering, environmental science, hydrology, accounting, or financial 388 389 businesses. Notwithstanding the provisions of any other general 390 or special law to the contrary, vacancies in the governing 391 boards of the water management districts shall be filled 392 according to the following residency requirements, representing 393 areas designated by the United States Water Resources Council in 394 United States Geological Survey, River Basin and Hydrological 395 Unit Map of Florida--1975, Map Series No. 72: 396 (e) Southwest Florida Water Management District: 397 1. Two members shall reside in Hillsborough County. 398 One member shall reside in the area consisting of 2. 399 Hillsborough and Pinellas Counties. 400 Two members shall reside in Pinellas County. 3. 401 4. One member shall reside in Manatee County.

402 5. One member shall reside in Polk County.

403 6. One member shall reside in Pasco County.

404 7. One member shall be appointed at large from Levy,
405 Marion, Citrus, Sumter, Hernando, and Lake Counties.
406 8. One member shall be appointed at large from Sarasota,

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408	9. One member shall be appointed at large from Levy,	
409	Marion, Citrus, Sumter, Hernando, Lake, Sarasota, Hardee,	
410	DeSoto, <u>and</u> Charlotte , and Highlands Counties.	
411		
412	No county described in subparagraph 7., subparagraph 8., or	
413	subparagraph 9. shall have more than one member on the governi	ng
414	board.	
415	Section 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2004.	