

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to the Pine Tree Water Control District,
 3 Palm Beach County; providing that the Pine Tree Water
 4 Control District shall become a dependent district of the
 5 Village of Wellington; providing that the Village of
 6 Wellington Council members shall act as the board of
 7 supervisors of said district; providing for a referendum;
 8 providing an effective date.

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 10 WHEREAS, the property making up the Pine Tree Water Control
 11 District was annexed into the Village of Wellington, and

12 WHEREAS, the Pine Tree Water Control District and the
 13 Village of Wellington have entered into an operating agreement
 14 where the district is staffed by Village of Wellington
 15 employees, and

16 WHEREAS, the governing bodies of the Village of Wellington
 17 and the Pine Tree Water Control District have mutually agreed
 18 that the management of the offices of the district would be more
 19 efficiently administered if the village council also acted as
 20 the district board of supervisors, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

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 24 Section 1. Pine Tree Water Control District continuation
 25 and transfer.--The Pine Tree Water Control District, an
 26 independent special district created by a special act of the
 27 Legislature, shall become a dependent district of the Village of
 28 Wellington on the effective date of this act. All special acts

29 of the Pine Tree Water Control District shall become ordinances
30 of the Village of Wellington on the effective date of this act.

31 (1) The assets, liabilities, and written contracts of the
32 Pine Tree Water Control District, including all rights,
33 obligations, duties, and relationships now existing by law or
34 agreement shall be unaffected and shall remain in full force and
35 effect and shall be those of the district as a dependent
36 district of the Village of Wellington. All rights, claims,
37 actions, orders, and all contracts of the special district and
38 all legal or administrative proceedings involving the district
39 shall continue in full force and effect under the jurisdiction
40 of the district as a dependent district of the Village of
41 Wellington.

42 (2) The terms of office of the members of the Board of
43 Supervisors of the Pine Tree Water Control District shall
44 terminate, and the members of the Village Council of the Village
45 of Wellington shall assume the duties and responsibilities of
46 the Board of Supervisors of the Pine Tree Water Control
47 District.

48 (3) To the extent not inconsistent with village
49 ordinances, all resolutions and policies of the Pine Tree Water
50 Control District shall remain in effect until amended, revised,
51 or repealed by the village council.

52 (4) Additional provisions which are necessary to effect
53 this transition and to provide for the operation of the Pine
54 Tree Water Control District as a dependent district of the
55 village shall be adopted by ordinance.

56 Section 2. Referendum.--On or before December 1, 2006, the
57 Pine Tree Water Control District shall call and the Supervisor
58 of Elections of Palm Beach County shall conduct a referendum, in
59 accordance with the provisions of law relating to elections
60 currently in force, on the question of whether the Pine Tree
61 Water Control District shall become a dependent district of the
62 Village of Wellington.

63 Section 3. This act shall take effect only if a majority
64 of those qualified electors of the Pine Tree Water Control
65 District voting in a referendum held pursuant to this act
66 approve the referendum question in section 2, except that this
67 section and section 2 shall take effect upon becoming a law.