HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES LOCAL BILL STAFF ANALYSIS

SUMMARY ANALYSIS

HB 1081 amends ch. 98-462, L.O.F., to provide that all work done under the provisions of the district's charter will be under the supervision of a person determined qualified to administer the programs by the district board. Currently, the law requires such work to be done under the supervision of a competent, professional engineer employed by the district board.

According to the Economic Impact Statement, no fiscal impacts are anticipated for either fiscal year 2006-07 or 2007-08.

FULL ANALYSIS

I. SUBSTANTIVE ANALYSIS

A. HOUSE PRINCIPLES ANALYSIS:

The bill does not appear to implicate any of the House Principles.

B. EFFECT OF PROPOSED CHANGES:

Present Situation

The District was created in 1961 by ch. 61-2404, L.O.F., providing aquatic weed control throughout all of Lee County, Florida. The District provides for an *engineer as the director* whose duty is to supervise maintenance and construction work performed under the current provisions of the law. The Board may also directly have work performed with or without a contract and with or without advertisement.

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- C. SECTION DIRECTORY:
 - Section 1. Amends s. 12 of ch. 98-42, L.O.F., provides that all work done under the provisions of the district's charter will be under the supervision of a person determined qualified by the district board instead of an engineer.
 - Section 2. Provides that the bill takes effect upon becoming a law.

II. NOTICE/REFERENDUM AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS

A. NOTICE PUBLISHED? Yes [X] No []

IF YES, WHEN? January 24, 2006

WHERE? *News-Press*, Fort Myers, Lee County, Florida.

B. REFERENDUM(S) REQUIRED? Yes [] No [X]

IF YES, WHEN?

- C. LOCAL BILL CERTIFICATION FILED? Yes, attached [X] No []
- D. ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT FILED? Yes, attached [X] No []

III. COMMENTS

- A. CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUES: None.
- B. RULE-MAKING AUTHORITY: None.

C. DRAFTING ISSUES OR OTHER COMMENTS: None.

IV. AMENDMENTS/COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE & COMBINED BILL CHANGES

None.