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1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to the North Naples Fire Control and
 3 Rescue District, Collier County; amending chapter 99-450,
 4 Laws of Florida; providing for the applicability of s.
 5 171.093, F.S., in the event of annexation by a
 6 municipality within the boundaries of the district;
 7 authorizing the district to provide housing or housing
 8 assistance for district employees; providing an effective
 9 date.

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

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13 Section 1. Section 3 of Article III and section 1 of
 14 Article IV of section 3 of chapter 99-450, Laws of Florida, are
 15 amended to read:

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ARTICLE III

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Boundaries of the District

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Section 3. Section 171.093, Florida Statutes, applies to
annexations by a municipality within the boundaries of the
district. ~~In the event that property in the district is annexed~~
~~by the City of Naples between January 1 and July 1 of any year,~~
~~the property shall be regarded as removed from the North Naples~~
~~Fire Control and Rescue District as of January 1 of that year~~
~~for the purpose of the levy of general ad valorem taxes by the~~
~~district. If annexation occurs after July 1, the property shall~~
~~be assessed by the district for ad valorem taxes for that year.~~
~~On and after the effective date of annexation, the district~~

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28 | ~~shall be relieved of providing fire service to the annexed area.~~
29 | ~~The city and the district may reach an agreement to determine~~
30 | ~~what portion, if any, of the existing indebtedness or property~~
31 | ~~of the district shall be assumed by the municipality of which~~
32 | ~~the annexed territory will become a part, the fair value of such~~
33 | ~~indebtedness or property, and the manner of transfer and~~
34 | ~~financing. Nothing herein shall relieve the property annexed~~
35 | ~~from the payment of general obligation debt service incurred by~~
36 | ~~the district before annexation.~~

ARTICLE IV

Powers of the District

39 | Section 1. The district shall have the authority to
40 | establish, equip, operate, and maintain a fire department and
41 | rescue squad within the district and may buy, lease, sell,
42 | exchange, or otherwise acquire and dispose of firefighting and
43 | rescue equipment and other property, real, personal, or mixed,
44 | that it may from time to time deem necessary to prevent and
45 | extinguish fires or provide rescue services. This shall include,
46 | but is not limited to, the authority to hire and fire necessary
47 | firefighters and other personnel; to provide water, water
48 | supply, water stations, and other necessary buildings; to accept
49 | gifts or donations of equipment or money for the use of the
50 | district; and to do all things necessary to provide adequate
51 | water supply, fire prevention, and proper fire protection for
52 | the district. Recognizing that the dramatically increasing
53 | housing costs in Collier County may have a detrimental impact on
54 | the ability to hire and retain personnel needed for the

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55 | provision of fire protection services to district residents, the
56 | district shall also have the authority to provide housing or
57 | housing assistance for its employed personnel, with use of such
58 | funds being deemed to be in the public interest. In addition,
59 | the board shall have the authority to extend its services
60 | outside the district when provided in cooperation with another
61 | governmental entity.

62 | Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.