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Senator Argenziano moved the following amendment:

Senate Amendment

On page 2, line 15, through
page 4, line 2, delete those lines

and insert:

Section 1. Subsection (5) is added to section 153.54,
Florida Statutes, to read:

153.54 Preliminary report by county commissioners with
respect to creation of proposed district.--Upon receipt of a
petition duly signed by not less than 25 qualified electors
who are also freeholders residing within an area proposed to
be incorporated into a water and sewer district pursuant to
this law and describing in general terms the proposed
boundaries of such proposed district, the board of county
commissioners if it shall deem it necessary and advisable to
create and establish such proposed district for the purpose of
constructing, establishing or acquiring a water system or a
sewer system or both in and for such district (herein called
"improvements"), shall first cause a preliminary report to be

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1 made which ~~such~~ report together with any other relevant or
2 pertinent matters, shall include at least the following:

3 (5) For the construction of a proposed new sewerage
4 system or the extension of an existing sewerage system that
5 was not previously approved, the report must include a study
6 that includes the available information from the Department of
7 Health concerning the history of onsite sewage treatment and
8 disposal systems currently in use in the area and a comparison
9 of the projected costs to the owner of a typical lot or parcel
10 of connecting to and using the proposed sewerage system versus
11 installing, operating, and properly maintaining an onsite
12 sewage treatment system that is approved by the Department of
13 Health and that provides for the comparable level of
14 environmental and health protection as the proposed central
15 sewerage system; consideration of the local authority's
16 obligations or reasonably anticipated obligations for water
17 body cleanup and protection under state or federal programs,
18 including requirements for water bodies listed under s. 303(d)
19 of the Clean Water Act, Pub. L. No. 92-500, 33 U.S.C. ss. 1251
20 et seq.; and other factors deemed relevant by the local
21 authority.

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23 Such report shall be filed in the office of the clerk of the
24 circuit court and shall be open for the inspection of any
25 taxpayer, property owner, qualified elector or any other
26 interested or affected person.

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