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1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to the Southwest Florida Water Management
 3 District; amending s. 373.073, F.S.; increasing the number
 4 of governing board members of the district; revising the
 5 residency requirements for vacancies on the governing
 6 board of the district; providing for appointment of
 7 additional members and members to offices that have
 8 revised residency requirements; 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. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) and paragraph
 14 (e) of subsection (2) of section 373.073, Florida Statutes, are
 15 amended to read:

16 373.073 Governing board.--

17 (1) (a) The governing board of each water management
 18 district shall be composed of 9 members who shall reside within
 19 the district, except that the Southwest Florida Water Management
 20 District shall be composed of 13 ~~11~~ members who shall reside
 21 within the district. Members of the governing boards shall be
 22 appointed by the Governor, subject to confirmation by the Senate
 23 at the next regular session of the Legislature, and the refusal
 24 or failure of the Senate to confirm an appointment creates a
 25 vacancy in the office to which the appointment was made. The
 26 term of office for a governing board member is 4 years and
 27 commences on March 2 of the year in which the appointment is
 28 made and terminates on March 1 of the fourth calendar year of

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29 | the term or may continue until a successor is appointed, but not
 30 | more than 180 days. Terms of office of governing board members
 31 | shall be staggered to help maintain consistency and continuity
 32 | in the exercise of governing board duties and to minimize
 33 | disruption in district operations.

34 | (2) Membership on governing boards shall be selected from
 35 | candidates who have significant experience in one or more of the
 36 | following areas, including, but not limited to: agriculture, the
 37 | development industry, local government, government-owned or
 38 | privately owned water utilities, law, civil engineering,
 39 | environmental science, hydrology, accounting, or financial
 40 | businesses. Notwithstanding the provisions of any other general
 41 | or special law to the contrary, vacancies in the governing
 42 | boards of the water management districts shall be filled
 43 | according to the following residency requirements, representing
 44 | areas designated by the United States Water Resources Council in
 45 | United States Geological Survey, River Basin and Hydrological
 46 | Unit Map of Florida--1975, Map Series No. 72:

- 47 | (e) Southwest Florida Water Management District:
- 48 | 1. Two members shall reside in Hillsborough County.
 - 49 | 2. One member shall reside in the area consisting of
 50 | Hillsborough and Pinellas Counties.
 - 51 | 3. Two members shall reside in Pinellas County.
 - 52 | 4. One member shall reside in Manatee County.
 - 53 | 5. Two members ~~One member~~ shall reside in Polk County.
 - 54 | 6. One member shall reside in Pasco County.
 - 55 | 7. One member shall be appointed at large from Levy,
 56 | ~~Marion,~~ Citrus, Sumter, ~~Hernando,~~ and Lake Counties.

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57 8. One member shall be appointed at large from ~~Sarasota,~~
 58 Hardee, DeSoto, ~~Charlotte,~~ and Highlands Counties.

59 9. One member shall be appointed at large from ~~Levy,~~
 60 Marion and, ~~Citrus, Sumter,~~ Hernando, ~~Lake, Sarasota, Hardee,~~
 61 ~~DeSoto, Charlotte,~~ and Highlands Counties.

62 10. One member shall be appointed at large from Sarasota
 63 and Charlotte Counties.

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 65 ~~No county described in subparagraph 7., subparagraph 8., or~~
 66 ~~subparagraph 9. shall have more than one member on the governing~~
 67 ~~board.~~

68 Section 2. Appointments to the new offices as members of
 69 the Southwest Florida Water Management District which are
 70 created under section 1 of this act shall be made as follows:

71 (1) The new at-large member for Levy, Citrus, Sumter, and
 72 Lake Counties shall be appointed to a term of office commencing
 73 after expiration of the term of the person serving as the at-
 74 large member for Levy, Marion, Citrus, Sumter, Hernando, and
 75 Lake Counties on the effective date of this act.

76 (2) The new at-large member for Marion and Hernando
 77 Counties shall be appointed to a term of office commencing after
 78 expiration of the term of the person serving as the at-large
 79 member for Levy, Marion, Citrus, Sumter, Hernando, Lake,
 80 Sarasota, Hardee, DeSoto, Charlotte, and Highlands Counties on
 81 the effective date of this act.

82 (3) The new at-large member for Hardee, DeSoto, and
 83 Highlands Counties shall be appointed to a term of office
 84 commencing after expiration of the term of the person serving as

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85 the at-large member for Sarasota, Hardee, DeSoto, Charlotte, and
86 Highlands Counties.

87 (4) The new at-large member created for Sarasota and
88 Charlotte Counties and the new member residing in Polk County
89 shall be appointed as soon as possible in 2007 to terms of
90 office which expire on March 1, 2011.

91 Section 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.