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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to the West Villages Improvement District,
3 Sarasota County; amending chapter 2004-456, Laws of
4 Florida, as amended; revising conditions and requirements
5 for the exercise of the district's powers, functions, and
6 duties relating to the acquisition of fee simple title to
7 real property; providing an effective date.

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

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11 Section 1. Paragraph (d) of subsection (2) of section 3 of
12 chapter 2004-456, Laws of Florida, as amended by chapter 2006-
13 355, Laws of Florida, is amended to read:

14 Section 3. District powers, functions, and duties.--

15 (2) The district is hereby authorized and empowered as
16 follows:

17 (d) To acquire by grant, loan, purchase, gift, transfer,
18 exchange, dedication, lease, devise, or, when reasonably
19 necessary for the implementation of district-authorized public
20 infrastructure works, facilities, or services by means of the
21 exercise of the right of eminent domain pursuant to the laws of
22 the state and in accordance with section 12 of this act, all
23 property, real or personal, or any easement, license, estate, or
24 interest therein necessary, desirable, or convenient for the
25 purposes of this act, and to sell, convey, transfer, gift,
26 lease, rent, dedicate, forfeit, abandon, exchange, or assign all
27 or any part thereof to or with other entities, including
28 governmental entities and agencies, and to exercise all of its

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29 powers and authority with respect thereto. The district shall
30 not have the right of eminent domain outside of the boundaries
31 of the district. Notwithstanding anything contained herein, the
32 district shall not obtain fee simple title to any real property
33 within the district except as follows ~~by dedication on an~~
34 ~~approved plat:~~

35 1. As to that portion of the district located within the
36 City of North Port jurisdictional boundaries, with the approval
37 of the City of North Port Commission or its designee;

38 2. As to that portion of the district located within the
39 unincorporated area, with the approval of the Board of County
40 Commissioners of Sarasota County or its designee; or

41 3. As otherwise required by another governmental entity or
42 agency.

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44 Any property interests owned by the district which are used for
45 nonpublic or private commercial purposes shall be subject to all
46 ad valorem taxes, intangible personal property taxes, or non-ad
47 valorem assessments, as would be applicable if said property
48 were privately owned.

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