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The Committee on Environmental Preservation and Conservation
(Gaetz) recommended the following amendment:

Senate Amendment

On page 1, line 10, through
page 2, line 15, delete those lines

and insert:

Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) and
paragraph (e) of subsection (2) of section 373.073, Florida
Statutes, are amended to read:

373.073 Governing board.--

(1)(a) The governing board of each water management
district shall be composed of 9 members who shall reside
within the district, except that the Southwest Florida Water
Management District shall be composed of 13 ~~11~~ members who
shall reside within the district. Members of the governing
boards shall be appointed by the Governor, subject to
confirmation by the Senate at the next regular session of the
Legislature, and the refusal or failure of the Senate to
confirm an appointment creates a vacancy in the office to

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1 | which the appointment was made. The term of office for a
 2 | governing board member is 4 years and commences on March 2 of
 3 | the year in which the appointment is made and terminates on
 4 | March 1 of the fourth calendar year of the term or may
 5 | continue until a successor is appointed, but not more than 180
 6 | days. Terms of office of governing board members shall be
 7 | staggered to help maintain consistency and continuity in the
 8 | exercise of governing board duties and to minimize disruption
 9 | in district operations.

10 | (2) Membership on governing boards shall be selected
 11 | from candidates who have significant experience in one or more
 12 | of the following areas, including, but not limited to:
 13 | agriculture, the development industry, local government,
 14 | government-owned or privately owned water utilities, law,
 15 | civil engineering, environmental science, hydrology,
 16 | accounting, or financial businesses. Notwithstanding the
 17 | provisions of any other general or special law to the
 18 | contrary, vacancies in the governing boards of the water
 19 | management districts shall be filled according to the
 20 | following residency requirements, representing areas
 21 | designated by the United States Water Resources Council in
 22 | United States Geological Survey, River Basin and Hydrological
 23 | Unit Map of Florida--1975, Map Series No. 72:

- 24 | (e) Southwest Florida Water Management District:
- 25 | 1. Two members shall reside in Hillsborough County.
 - 26 | 2. One member shall reside in the area consisting of
 - 27 | Hillsborough and Pinellas Counties.
 - 28 | 3. Two members shall reside in Pinellas County.
 - 29 | 4. One member shall reside in Manatee County.
 - 30 | 5. Two members ~~One member~~ shall reside in Polk County.
 - 31 | 6. One member shall reside in Pasco County.

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1 7. One member shall be appointed at large from Levy,
2 Marion, Citrus, Sumter, Hernando, and Lake Counties.

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

5 9. One member shall be appointed at large from Levy,
6 Marion, Citrus, Sumter, Hernando, Lake, Sarasota, Hardee,
7 DeSoto, Charlotte, and Highlands Counties.

8 10. One member shall be appointed at large from
9 Sarasota and Charlotte Counties.

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11 A ~~No~~ county described in subparagraph 7., subparagraph 8., ~~or~~
12 subparagraph 9., or subparagraph 10. may not ~~shall~~ have more
13 than one member on the governing board.

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