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| 11 | The Committee on Finance and Tax (Haridopolos) recommended the | | | |
| 12 | following amendment: | | | |
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| 14 | Senate Amendment (with title amendment) | | | |
| 15 | Delete everything after the enacting clause | | | |
| 16 | | | | |
| 17 | and insert: | | | |
| 18 | Section 1. Subsection (6), paragraph (p) of subsection | | | |
| 19 | (7), and subsections (20) and (21) of section 190.003, Florida | | | |
| 20 | Statutes, are amended to read: | | | |
| 21 | 190.003 DefinitionsAs used in this chapter, the | | | |
| 22 | term: | | | |
| 23 | (6) "Community development district" means a local | | | |
| 24 | unit of special-purpose government which is created pursuant | | | |
| 25 | to this act and limited to the performance of those | | | |
| 26 | specialized functions authorized by this <u>chapter</u> act; the | | | |
| 27 | boundaries of which are contained wholly within a single | | | |
| 28 | county; the governing head of which is a body created, | | | |
| 29 | organized, and constituted and authorized to function <u>for the</u> | | | |
| 30 | purpose of specifically as prescribed in this act for the | | | |
| 31 | delivery of urban community development services; and the 1 | | | |
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1 formation, powers, governing body, operation, duration, accountability, requirements for disclosure, and termination 2 of which are as required by general law. 3 4 (7) "Cost," when used with reference to any project, includes, but is not limited to: 5 (p) Payments, contributions, dedications, fair share 6 7 or concurrency obligations, and any other exactions required as a condition for receiving to receive any government 8 approval or permit necessary to accomplish any district 9 10 purpose. 11 (20) "Water management and control facilities" means any lakes, canals, ditches, reservoirs, dams, levees, 12 13 sluiceways, floodways, curbs, gutters, pumping stations, or any other works, structures, or facilities for the 14 15 conservation, control, development, utilization, and disposal of water, and any purposes appurtenant, necessary, or 16 incidental thereto. The term "water management and control 17 facilities" includes all real and personal property and any 18 19 interest therein, rights, easements, and franchises of any 20 nature relating to any such water management and control facilities or necessary or convenient for the acquisition, 21 22 construction, reconstruction, operation, or maintenance 23 thereof. 2.4 (21) "Water system" means any plant, system, facility, or property and additions, extensions, and improvements 25 thereto at any future time constructed or acquired as part 26 thereof, useful or necessary or having the present capacity 27 28 for future use in connection with the development of sources, 29 treatment, or purification and distribution of water. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the term "water 30 31 system" includes dams, reservoirs, storage, tanks, mains, 2 1:28 PM 04/18/07 s2700d-ft26-c02

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1 lines, valves, hydrants, pumping stations, chilled water distribution systems, laterals, and pipes for the purpose of 2 carrying water to the premises connected with such system, and 3 4 all rights, easements, and franchises of any nature relating to any such system and necessary or convenient for the 5 operation thereof. 6 7 Section 2. Paragraphs (b), (c), and (f) of subsection (1) and paragraphs (d) and (e) of subsection (2) of section 8 190.005, Florida Statutes, are amended to read: 9 190.005 Establishment of district.--10 11 (1) The exclusive and uniform method for the establishment of a community development district with a size 12 of 1,000 acres or more shall be pursuant to a rule, adopted 13 under chapter 120 by the Florida Land and Water Adjudicatory 14 15 Commission, granting a petition for the establishment of a community development district. 16 (b) Prior to filing the petition, the petitioner 17 shall: 18 19 1. Pay a filing fee of \$15,000 to the county if 20 located within an unincorporated area, or to the municipality 21 if located within an incorporated area, and to each 22 municipality the boundaries of which are contiguous with, or contain all or a portion of the land within, the external 23 2.4 boundaries of the district. 2. Submit a copy of the petition to the county if 25 located within an unincorporated area, or to the municipality 26 if located within an incorporated area, and to each 27 28 municipality the boundaries of which are contiguous with, or contain all or a portion of, the land within the external 29 boundaries of the district. 30 31 3. If land to be included within a district is located 3 1:28 PM 04/18/07 s2700d-ft26-c02

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| 1 | partially within the unincorporated area of one or more | | | |
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| 2 | counties and partially within a municipality or within two or | | | |
| 3 | more municipalities, pay a \$15,000 filing fee to each entity. | | | |
| 4 | Districts established across county boundaries shall be | | | |
| 5 | required to maintain records, hold meetings and hearings, and | | | |
| 6 | publish notices only in the county where the majority of the | | | |
| 7 | acreage within the district lies. | | | |
| 8 | (c) <u>Each</u> Such county and each such municipality | | | |
| 9 | required by law to receive a petition may conduct a public | | | |
| 10 | hearing to consider the relationship of the petition to the | | | |
| 11 | factors specified in paragraph (e). The public hearing <u>must</u> | | | |
| 12 | shall be <u>held</u> concluded within 45 days after the date the | | | |
| 13 | petition is filed unless an extension of time is requested by | | | |
| 14 | the petitioner and granted by the county or municipality. The | | | |
| 15 | county or municipality holding such public hearing may by | | | |
| 16 | resolution express its support of, or objection to the | | | |
| 17 | granting of, the petition by the Florida Land and Water | | | |
| 18 | Adjudicatory Commission. The A resolution must base any | | | |
| 19 | objection to the granting of the petition <u>on</u> upon the factors | | | |
| 20 | specified in paragraph (e). Such county or municipality may | | | |
| 21 | present its resolution of support or objection at the Florida | | | |
| 22 | Land and Water Adjudicatory Commission hearing and shall be | | | |
| 23 | provided afforded an opportunity to present relevant | | | |
| 24 | information in support of its resolution. | | | |
| 25 | (f) The Florida Land and Water Adjudicatory Commission | | | |
| 26 | shall not adopt any rule which would expand, modify, or delete | | | |
| 27 | any provision of the uniform community development district | | | |
| 28 | charter as set forth in ss. 190.006-190.041, except as | | | |
| 29 | provided in s. 190.012. A rule establishing a community | | | |
| 30 | development district shall contain only the following: | | | |
| 31 | 1. <u>A metes and bounds description of</u> Describe the | | | |
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1 external boundaries of the district and any real property within the external boundaries of the district which is to be 2 excluded. 3 4 2. The names of Name five persons designated to be the initial members of the board of supervisors. 5 3. The name of the district. 6 7 (2) The exclusive and uniform method for the establishment of a community development district of less than 8 1,000 acres in size shall be pursuant to an ordinance adopted 9 by the county commission of the county having jurisdiction 10 11 over the majority of land in the area in which the district is to be located granting a petition for the establishment of a 12 13 community development district as follows: (d) The county commission shall not adopt any 14 15 ordinance which would expand, modify, or delete any provision 16 of the uniform community development district charter as set forth in ss. 190.006-190.041. An ordinance establishing a 17 community development district shall include <u>only</u> the matters 18 19 provided for in paragraph (1)(f) unless the petitioner has 20 requested, and the county consents to any of the optional powers identified in s. 190.012(2). 21 22 (e) If all of the land in the area for the proposed district is within the territorial jurisdiction of a municipal 23 24 corporation, then the petition requesting establishment of the a community development district under this act shall be filed 25 by the petitioner with that particular municipal corporation. 26 In such event, the duties of the county, hereinabove 27 described, in action upon the petition shall be the duties of 28 29 the municipal corporation. If any of the land area of a proposed district is within the land area of a municipality, 30 31 the county commission may not create the district without 1:28 PM 04/18/07 s2700d-ft26-c02

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1 municipal approval. If all of the land in the area for the proposed district, even if less than 1,000 acres, is within 2 the territorial jurisdiction of two or more municipalities, 3 4 the petition shall be filed with the Florida Land and Water Adjudicatory Commission, and the petitioner shall proceed in 5 accordance with subsection (1). 6 7 Section 3. Paragraph (b) of subsection (2) and paragraph (b) of subsection (3) of section 190.006, Florida 8 Statutes, are amended to read: 9 10 190.006 Board of supervisors; members and meetings .--11 (2) /t) At such meeting, each landowner shall be entitled 12 to cast one vote per acre of land owned by him or her and 13 located within the district for each person to be elected. A 14 15 landowner may vote in person or by written proxy in writing. 16 Each proxy must be signed by one of the legal owners of the property for which the vote is cast and must contain the typed 17 or printed name of the individual who signed the proxy; the 18 street address, legal description of the property, or tax 19 parcel identification number; and the number of authorized 20 21 votes. If the proxy authorizes more than one vote, each 22 property must be listed and the number of acres of each property must be included. The signature on a proxy need not 23 24 be notarized. A fraction of an acre shall be treated as 1 acre, entitling the landowner to one vote with respect 25 thereto. For the purpose of determining voting interests, 26 platted lots shall be counted individually and rounded up to 27 the nearest whole acre. The acreage of platted lots is not 28 29 aggregated for determining the number of voting units held by a landowner or a landowner's proxy. The two candidates 30 31 receiving the highest number of votes shall be elected for a 6 1:28 PM 04/18/07 s2700d-ft26-c02

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1 period of 4 years, and the three candidates receiving the next largest number of votes shall be elected for a period of 2 2 years, with the term of office for each successful candidate 3 4 commencing upon election. The members of the first board elected by landowners shall be elected to serve their 5 respective 4-year or 2-year terms; however, the next election 6 7 by landowners shall be held on the first Tuesday in November. Thereafter, there shall be an election of supervisors for the 8 district every 2 years in November on a date established by 9 10 the board and noticed pursuant to paragraph (a). The second 11 and subsequent landowners' election shall be announced at a public meeting of the board at least 90 days before prior to 12 the date of the landowners' meeting and shall also be noticed 13 pursuant to paragraph (a). Instructions on how all landowners 14 15 may participate in the election, along with sample proxies, 16 shall be provided during the board meeting that announces the landowners' meeting. The two candidates receiving the highest 17 number of votes shall be elected to serve for a 4-year period, 18 19 and the remaining candidate elected shall be elected to serve 20 for a 2-year period. 21 (3) 22 (b) Elections of board members by qualified electors 23 held pursuant to this subsection shall be nonpartisan and 24 shall be conducted in the manner prescribed by law for holding general elections. The district shall publish a notice of the 25 qualifying period for each election, as determined by the 26 supervisor of elections, at least 2 weeks before the start of 27 the qualifying period. Board members shall assume the office 28 29 on the second Tuesday following their election. If no elector 30 qualifies for a seat to be filled in an election, a vacancy in 31 that seat shall be declared by the board effective on the

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| 1 | second Tuesday following the election. Within 90 days after | |
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| 2 | declaring the vacancy, the board shall appoint a qualified | |
| 3 | elector to fill the vacancy. Until such appointment, the | |
| 4 | incumbent board member in that seat shall remain in office. | |
| 5 | Section 4. Effective October 1, 2007, subsection (1) | |
| 6 | of section 190.007, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: | |
| 7 | 190.007 Board of supervisors; general duties | |
| 8 | (1) The board shall employ $\overline{7}$ and fix the compensation | |
| 9 | of $	au$ a district manager. The district manager shall have | |
| 10 | charge and supervision of the works of the district and shall | |
| 11 | be responsible for preserving and maintaining any improvement | |
| 12 | or facility constructed or erected pursuant to the provisions | |
| 13 | of this <u>chapter</u> act , for maintaining and operating the | |
| 14 | equipment owned by the district, and for performing such other | |
| 15 | duties as may be prescribed by the board. It <u>is</u> shall not be a | |
| 16 | conflict of interest under chapter 112 for a board member or | |
| 17 | the district manager or another employee of the district to be | |
| 18 | a stockholder, officer, or employee of a landowner <u>or of an</u> | |
| 19 | entity affiliated with a landowner. The district manager may | |
| 20 | hire or otherwise employ and terminate the employment of such | |
| 21 | other persons, including, without limitation, professional, | |
| 22 | supervisory, and clerical employees, as may be necessary and | |
| 23 | authorized by the board. The compensation and other | |
| 24 | conditions of employment of the officers and employees of the | |
| 25 | district shall be as provided by the board. | |
| 26 | Section 5. Paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section | |
| 27 | 190.008, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: | |
| 28 | 190.008 Budget; reports and reviews | |
| 29 | (2)(a) On or before each <u>June</u> July 15, the district | |
| 30 | manager shall prepare a proposed budget for the ensuing fiscal | |
| 31 | year to be submitted to the board for $\frac{1}{2}$ board approval. The | |
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1 proposed budget shall include, at the direction of the board, an estimate of all necessary expenditures of the district for 2 the ensuing fiscal year and an estimate of income to the 3 4 district from the taxes, and assessments, and other revenues provided in this <u>chapter</u> act. The board shall consider the 5 proposed budget item by item and may either approve the budget 6 7 as proposed by the district manager or modify the same in part or in whole. The board shall indicate its approval of the 8 budget by resolution, which resolution shall provide for a 9 10 hearing on the budget as approved. Notice of the hearing on 11 the budget shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the area of the district once a week for 2 12 13 consecutive weeks, except that the first publication shall be at least not fewer than 15 days before prior to the date of 14 15 the hearing. The notice shall further contain a designation of the day, time, and place of the public hearing. At the time 16 and place designated in the notice, the board shall hear all 17 objections to the budget as proposed and may make such changes 18 19 as the board deems necessary. At the conclusion of the budget hearing, the board shall, by resolution, adopt the budget as 20 21 finally approved by the board. The budget <u>must</u> shall be 22 adopted by prior to October 1 of each year. Section 6. Subsection (1) of section 190.009, Florida 23 24 Statutes, is amended to read: 190.009 Disclosure of public financing.--25 (1) The district shall take affirmative steps to 26 provide for the full disclosure of information relating to the 27 public financing and maintenance of improvements to real 28 29 property undertaken by the district. Such information shall be made available to all <u>current</u> existing residents, and to all 30 prospective residents, of the district. The district shall 31 1:28 PM 04/18/07 s2700d-ft26-c02

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| 1 | furnish each developer of a residential development within the | | |
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| 2 | district with sufficient copies of that information to provide | | |
| 3 | each prospective initial purchaser of property in that | | |
| 4 | development with a copy, and any developer of a residential | | |
| 5 | development within the district , when required by law to | | |
| 6 | provide a public offering statement $\overline{7}$ shall include a copy of | | |
| 7 | such information relating to the public financing and | | |
| 8 | maintenance of improvements in the public offering statement. | | |
| 9 | The district shall file the disclosure documents required by | | |
| 10 | this subsection and any amendments thereto in the property | | |
| 11 | records of each county in which the district is located. | | |
| 12 | Section 7. Subsection (14) of section 190.011, Florida | | |
| 13 | Statutes, is amended to read: | | |
| 14 | 190.011 General powersThe district shall have, and | | |
| 15 | the board may exercise, the following powers: | | |
| 16 | (14) To determine, order, levy, impose, collect, and | | |
| 17 | enforce special assessments pursuant to this <u>chapter</u> act and | | |
| 18 | chapter 170. Such special assessments may, in the discretion | | |
| 19 | of the district, be collected and enforced pursuant to the | | |
| 20 | provisions of ss. 197.3631, 197.3632, and 197.3635, or chapter | | |
| 21 | 170 <u>or chapter 173</u> . | | |
| 22 | Section 8. Paragraph (d) of subsection (1) of section | | |
| 23 | 190.012, Florida Statutes, is amended, paragraph (h) is added | | |
| 24 | to that subsection, and subsection (2) and paragraph (a) and | | |
| 25 | (b) of subsection (4) of that section are amended, to read: | | |
| 26 | 190.012 Special powers; public improvements and | | |
| 27 | community facilitiesThe district shall have, and the board | | |
| 28 | may exercise, subject to the regulatory jurisdiction and | | |
| 29 | permitting authority of all applicable governmental bodies, | | |
| 30 | agencies, and special districts having authority with respect | | |
| 31 | to any area included therein, any or all of the following 10 | | |
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| 1 | special powers relating to public improvements and community | | |
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| 2 | facilities authorized by this act: | | |
| 3 | (1) To finance, fund, plan, establish, acquire, | | |
| 4 | construct or reconstruct, enlarge or extend, equip, operate, | | |
| 5 | and maintain systems, facilities, and basic infrastructures | | |
| б | for the following: | | |
| 7 | (d)1. District roads equal to or exceeding the | | |
| 8 | applicable specifications of the county in which such district | | |
| 9 | roads are located; roads and improvements to existing public | | |
| 10 | roads that are owned by or conveyed to the local | | |
| 11 | general-purpose government, the state, or the Federal | | |
| 12 | <u>Government;</u> , and street lights <u>; alleys; landscaping;</u> | | |
| 13 | hardscaping; and the undergrounding of electric utility lines. | | |
| 14 | The district may convey undergrounding of electric utility | | |
| 15 | lines to the retail electric utility provider within the | | |
| 16 | district. | | |
| 17 | 2. Buses, trolleys, transit shelters, ridesharing | | |
| 18 | facilities and services, parking improvements, and related | | |
| 19 | signage. | | |
| 20 | (h) Any other project, facility, or service required | | |
| 21 | by a development approval, interlocal agreement, zoning | | |
| 22 | condition, or permit issued by a governmental authority having | | |
| 23 | jurisdiction in the district. | | |
| 24 | (2) After the board has obtained the consent of the | | |
| 25 | local general-purpose government consents to the exercise by | | |
| 26 | the district of a power within the jurisdiction of the local | | |
| 27 | government which a power specified in this subsection is to be | | |
| 28 | exercised , <u>the district shall have the power</u> to plan, | | |
| 29 | establish, acquire, construct or reconstruct, enlarge or | | |
| 30 | extend, equip, operate, and maintain additional systems and | | |
| 31 | facilities for: | | |
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1 (a) Parks and facilities for indoor and outdoor recreational, cultural, and educational uses. 2 (b) Fire prevention and control, including fire 3 4 stations, water mains and plugs, fire trucks, and other vehicles and equipment. 5 (c) School buildings and related structures and site 6 7 improvements, which may be leased, sold, or donated to the school district, for use in the educational system if when 8 authorized by the district school board. 9 10 (d) Security, including, but not limited to, 11 guardhouses, fences and gates, electronic intrusion-detection systems, and patrol cars, if when authorized by proper 12 13 governmental agencies; except that the district may not exercise any police power, but may contract with the 14 15 appropriate local general-purpose government agencies for an 16 increased level of such services within the district boundaries. 17 18 (e) Control and elimination of mosquitoes and other 19 arthropods of public health importance. (f) Waste collection and disposal. 20 21 (4)(a) To adopt rules necessary for enforcing the 22 district to enforce certain deed restrictions pertaining to the use and operation of real property within the district and 23 24 outside the district if pursuant to an interlocal agreement under chapter 163. For the purpose of this subsection, "deed 25 restrictions" are those covenants, conditions, and 26 restrictions contained in any applicable declarations of 27 28 covenants and restrictions that govern the use and operation 29 of real property within the district and, for which covenants, 30 conditions, and restrictions, there is no homeowners' 31 association or property owner's association having respective 12 1:28 PM 04/18/07 s2700d-ft26-c02

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1 enforcement powers. The district may adopt by rule all or certain portions of the deed restrictions that: 2 1. Relate to limitations or prohibitions that apply 3 4 only to external structures and are deemed by the district to be generally beneficial for the district's landowners and for 5 which enforcement by the district is appropriate, as 6 7 determined by the district's board of supervisors; or 2. Are consistent with the requirements of a 8 development order or regulatory agency permit. 9 10 (b) The board may vote to adopt such rules only when all of the following conditions exist: 11 1. The district's geographic area contains no 12 13 homeowners' associations as defined in s. 720.301(9); 2. The district was in existence on the effective date 14 15 of this subsection, or is located within a development that 16 consists of multiple developments of regional impact and a Florida Quality Development; 17 3. For residential districts, the majority of the 18 board has been elected by qualified electors pursuant to the 19 provisions of s. 190.006; and 20 21 4. The declarant in any applicable declarations of 22 covenants and restrictions has provided the board with a written agreement that such rules may be adopted. A memorandum 23 24 of the agreement shall be recorded in the public records. Section 9. Section 190.014, Florida Statutes, is 25 amended to read: 26 190.014 Issuance of bond anticipation notes.--In 27 addition to the other powers provided for under this chapter 28 29 in this act, and not in limitation thereof, the district shall have the power, at any time, and from time to time after the 30 31 issuance of any bonds of the district shall have been 13 04/18/07 s2700d-ft26-c02 1:28 PM

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1 authorized, to borrow money for the purposes for which such bonds are to be issued in anticipation of the receipt of the 2 proceeds from of the sale of such bonds and to issue bond 3 4 anticipation notes in a principal sum that does exceed not in excess of the authorized maximum amount of the such bond 5 issue. The Such notes shall be in such denomination or 6 7 denominations, bear interest at such rate as the board may determine in compliance with s. 215.84, mature at such time or 8 times not later than 5 years from the date of issuance, and be 9 10 in such form and executed in such manner as the board shall 11 prescribe. The Such notes may be sold at either public or private sale or, if such notes are shall be renewal notes, may 12 13 be exchanged for notes then outstanding on such terms as the board shall determine. The Such notes shall be paid from the 14 15 proceeds of such bonds when issued. The board may, in its discretion, in lieu of retiring the notes by means of bonds, 16 retire them by means of current revenues or from any taxes or 17 18 assessments levied for the payment of such bonds; but in such 19 event a like amount of the bonds authorized may shall not be 20 issued. Non-ad valorem assessments levied to pay interest on bond anticipation notes do not constitute an installment of 21 22 assessments under s. 190.022. Section 10. Subsections (2), (3), and (9) of section 23 2.4 190.021, Florida Statutes, are amended to read: 190.021 Taxes; non-ad valorem assessments.--25 (2) BENEFIT SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS. -- The board shall 26 annually determine, order, and levy the annual installment of 27 the total benefit special assessments for bonds issued and 28 29 related expenses to finance district facilities and projects which are levied under this <u>chapter</u> act. These assessments may 30 31 be due and collected during each year that county taxes are 14 04/18/07 s2700d-ft26-c02 1:28 PM

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1 due and collected, in which case such annual installment and levy shall be evidenced to and certified to the property 2 appraiser by the board not later than August 31 of each year, 3 4 and such assessment shall be entered by the property appraiser on the county tax rolls, and shall be collected and enforced 5 by the tax collector in the same manner and at the same time 6 7 as county taxes, and the proceeds thereof shall be paid to the district. However, this subsection does shall not prohibit the 8 district in its discretion from using the method prescribed in 9 either s. 197.363 or s. 197.3632 for collecting and enforcing 10 11 these assessments. Notice of the proposed amount of the assessment provided pursuant to s. 200.069 which includes the 12 13 date and time of the hearing may be used in lieu of the notice provisions of s. 197.3632(4)(b). These benefit special 14 15 assessments are shall be a lien on the property against which assessed until paid and are shall be enforceable in like 16 manner as county taxes. The amount of the assessment for the 17 exercise of the district's powers under ss. 190.011 and 18 190.012 shall be determined by the board based upon a report 19 of the district's engineer and assessed by the board upon such 20 lands, which may be part or all of the lands within the 21 22 district benefited by the improvement, apportioned between 23 benefited lands in proportion to the benefits received by each 2.4 tract of land. (3) MAINTENANCE SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS. -- To maintain and 25 preserve the facilities and projects of the district, the 26 board may levy a maintenance special assessment. This 27 28 assessment may be evidenced to and certified to the property 29 appraiser by the board of supervisors not later than August 31 of each year and shall be entered by the property appraiser on 30 31 the county tax rolls and shall be collected and enforced by 15 04/18/07 s2700d-ft26-c02 1:28 PM

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| 1 | the tax collector in the same manner and at the same time as | | |
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| 2 | county taxes, and the proceeds therefrom shall be paid to the | | |
| 3 | district. However, this subsection <u>does</u> shall not prohibit the | | |
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| 5 | either s. 197.363 or s. 197.3632 for collecting and enforcing | | |
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| 8 | date and time of the hearing may be used in lieu of the notice | | |
| 9 | provisions of s. 197.3632(4)(b). These maintenance special | | |
| 10 | assessments <u>are</u> shall be a lien on the property against which | | |
| 11 | assessed until paid and <u>are</u> shall be enforceable in like | | |
| 12 | manner as county taxes. The amount of the maintenance special | | |
| 13 | assessment for the exercise of the district's powers under ss. | | |
| 14 | 190.011 and 190.012 shall be determined by the board based | | |
| 15 | upon a report of the district's engineer and assessed by the | | |
| 16 | board upon such lands, which may be all of the lands within | | |
| 17 | the district benefited by the maintenance thereof, apportioned | | |
| 18 | between the benefited lands in proportion to the benefits | | |
| 19 | received by each tract of land. | | |
| 20 | (9) ASSESSMENTS CONSTITUTE LIENS; COLLECTIONBenefit | | |
| 21 | special assessments and maintenance special assessments | | |
| 22 | authorized by this section, and special assessments authorized | | |
| 23 | by s. 190.022 <u>and chapter 170</u> , shall constitute a lien on the | | |
| 24 | property against which assessed from the date of imposition | | |
| 25 | thereof until paid, coequal with the lien of state, county, | | |
| 26 | municipal, and school board taxes. These non-ad valorem | | |
| 27 | assessments may be collected, at the district's discretion, by | | |
| 28 | the tax collector pursuant to the provisions of s. 197.363 or | | |
| 29 | s. 197.3632, or in accordance with other collection measures | | |
| 30 | provided by law. | | |
| 31 | Section 11. Section 190.026, Florida Statutes, is 16 | | |
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1 amended to read:

190.026 Foreclosure of liens.--Any lien in favor of 2 the district arising under this <u>chapter</u> act may be foreclosed 3 4 by the district by foreclosure proceedings in the name of the district in a court of competent jurisdiction as provided 5 under chapter 170 or by general law in like manner as is 6 7 provided in chapter 173 and amendments thereto; the provisions of those chapters that chapter shall be applicable to such 8 proceedings with the same force and effect as if those 9 10 provisions were expressly set forth in this <u>chapter</u> act. Any 11 act required or authorized to be done by or on behalf of a municipality in foreclosure proceedings under chapter 170 or 12 13 chapter 173 may be performed by such officer or agent of the district as the board of supervisors may designate. Such 14 15 foreclosure proceedings may be brought at any time after the expiration of 1 year after from the date any tax, or 16 installment thereof, becomes delinquent; however no lien may 17 shall be foreclosed against any political subdivision or 18 19 agency of the state. Other legal remedies shall remain 20 available. 21 Section 12. Subsections (1) and (3) of section 22 190.033, Florida Statutes, are amended to read: 190.033 Bids required.--23 2.4 (1) <u>A</u> No contract <u>may not</u> shall be let by the board for any goods, supplies, or materials to be purchased when the 25 amount thereof to be paid by the district exceeds shall exceed 26 the amount provided in s. 287.017 for category four, unless 27 notice of bids or other competitive solicitation, including a 28 29 request for proposals or qualifications, is shall be advertised once in a newspaper in general circulation in the 30 31 county and in the district. Any board seeking to construct or 17 04/18/07 s2700d-ft26-c02 1:28 PM

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| 1 | improve a public building, structure, or other public works | | |
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| 2 | must shall comply with the bidding procedures of s. 255.20 and | | |
| 3 | other applicable general law. In each case, the bid of the | | |
| 4 | lowest responsive and responsible bidder shall be accepted | | |
| 5 | unless all bids are rejected because the bids are too high, or | | |
| 6 | the board determines it is in the best interests of the | | |
| 7 | district to reject all bids. <u>In each case in which requests</u> | | |
| 8 | for proposals, qualifications, or other competitive | | |
| 9 | solicitations are used, the district shall determine which | | |
| 10 | response is most advantageous to the district and award the | | |
| 11 | contract to the proposer. The board may require the bidders or | | |
| 12 | proposers to furnish bond with a responsible surety to be | | |
| 13 | approved by the board. If the district does not receive a | | |
| 14 | response to its competitive solicitation, the district may | | |
| 15 | proceed to purchase such goods, supplies, materials, or | | |
| 16 | construction services in the manner it deems to be in the best | | |
| 17 | interest of the district. Nothing in This section does not | | |
| 18 | shall prevent the board from undertaking and performing the | | |
| 19 | construction, operation, and maintenance of any project or | | |
| 20 | facility authorized by this <u>chapter</u> act by the employment of | | |
| 21 | labor, material, and machinery. | | |
| 22 | (3) Contracts for maintenance services for any | | |
| 23 | district facility or project <u>are</u> shall be subject to | | |
| 24 | competitive <u>solicitation</u> bidding requirements when the amount | | |
| 25 | thereof to be paid by the district exceeds the amount provided | | |
| 26 | in s. 287.017 for category four. The district shall adopt | | |
| 27 | rules, policies, or procedures establishing competitive | | |
| 28 | solicitation bidding procedures for maintenance services. | | |
| 29 | Contracts for other services shall not be subject to | | |
| 30 | competitive <u>solicitation</u> bidding unless the district adopts a | | |
| 31 | rule, policy, or procedure applying competitive <u>solicitation</u> 18 | | |
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1 bidding procedures to such said contracts. Section 13. Subsection (1) of section 190.046, Florida 2 Statutes, is amended to read: 3 4 190.046 Termination, contraction, or expansion of district.--5 (1) The board may petition to contract or expand the 6 7 boundaries of a community development district in the following manner: 8 9 (a) The petition must shall contain the same 10 information required by s. 190.005(1)(a)1. and 8. In 11 addition, if the petitioner seeks to expand the district, the petition must shall describe the proposed timetable for 12 construction of any district services to the area, the 13 estimated cost of constructing the proposed services, and the 14 15 designation of the future general distribution, location, and extent of public and private uses of land proposed for the 16 area by the future land use plan element of the adopted local 17 government local comprehensive plan. If the petitioner seeks 18 19 to contract the district, the petition <u>must</u> shall describe what services and facilities are currently provided by the 20 district to the area being removed, and the designation of the 21 22 future general distribution, location, and extent of public and private uses of land proposed for the area by the future 23 24 land element of the adopted local government comprehensive 25 plan. (b) For those districts initially established by 26 county ordinance, the petition for ordinance amendment <u>must</u> 27 28 shall be filed with the county commission. If the land to be included or excluded is, in whole or in part, within the 29 boundaries of a municipality, then the county commission may 30 31 shall not amend the ordinance without municipal approval. A 19 1:28 PM 04/18/07 s2700d-ft26-c02

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| 1 | public hearing <u>must</u> shall be held in the same manner and with | | |
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| 2 | the same public notice as other ordinance amendments. The | | |
| 3 | county commission shall consider the record of the public | | |
| 4 | hearing and the factors set forth in s. 190.005(1)(e) in | | |
| 5 | making its determination to grant or deny the petition for | | |
| 6 | ordinance amendment. | | |
| 7 | (c) For those districts initially established by | | |
| 8 | municipal ordinance pursuant to s. 190.005(2)(e), the | | |
| 9 | municipality shall assume the duties of the county commission | | |
| 10 | set forth in paragraph (b); however, if any of the land to be | | |
| 11 | included or excluded, in whole or in part, is outside the | | |
| 12 | boundaries of the municipality, then the municipality <u>may</u> | | |
| 13 | shall not amend its ordinance without county commission | | |
| 14 | approval. | | |
| 15 | (d) 1. For those districts initially established by | | |
| 16 | administrative rule pursuant to s. 190.005(1), the petition | | |
| 17 | shall be filed with the Florida Land and Water Adjudicatory | | |
| 18 | Commission. | | |
| 19 | 1.2. Prior to filing the petition, the petitioner | | |
| 20 | shall pay a filing fee of $$1,500$ to the county <u>if the district</u> | | |
| 21 | or the land to be added or deleted from the district is | | |
| 22 | located within an unincorporated area, or to the municipality | | |
| 23 | if the district or the land to be added or deleted is located | | |
| 24 | within an incorporated area, and to each municipality the | | |
| 25 | boundaries of which are contiguous with or contain all or a | | |
| 26 | portion of the land within <u>or to be added to or deleted from</u> | | |
| 27 | the external boundaries of the district or the proposed | | |
| 28 | amendment, and submit a copy of the petition to the county and | | |
| 29 | to each such municipality. The petitioner shall submit a copy | | |
| 30 | of the petition to the same entities entitled to receive the | | |
| 31 | <u>filing fee.</u> In addition, if the district is not the 20 | | |
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petitioner, the petitioner shall file the petition with the district board of supervisors.

<u>2.3. Each</u> The county and each municipality shall have
the option of holding a public hearing as provided by s.
190.005(1)(c). However, the such public hearing shall be
limited to consideration of the contents of the petition and
whether the petition for amendment should be supported by the
county or municipality.

3.4. The district board of supervisors shall, in lieu 9 10 of a hearing officer, hold the local public hearing provided for by s. 190.005(1)(d). This local public hearing shall be 11 noticed in the same manner as provided in s. 190.005(1)(d). 12 13 Within 45 days of the conclusion of the hearing, the district board of supervisors shall transmit to the Florida Land and 14 15 Water Adjudicatory Commission the full record of the local hearing, the transcript of the hearing, any resolutions 16 adopted by the local general-purpose governments, and its 17 18 recommendation whether to grant the petition for amendment. 19 The commission shall then proceed in accordance with s. 190.005(1)(e). 20

<u>4.5.</u> A rule amending a district boundary shall
describe the land to be added or deleted.

23 (e) In all cases, written consent of all the 2.4 landowners whose land is to be added to or deleted from the district shall be required. The filing of the petition for 25 26 expansion or contraction by the district board of supervisors shall constitute consent of the landowners within the district 27 other than of landowners whose land is proposed to be added to 28 or removed from the district. 29 (e)1.(f)1. During the existence of a district 30 31 initially established by administrative rule, the process 21

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| 1 | petitions to amend the boundaries of the district pursuant to | |
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| 2 | paragraphs <u>(a)-(d) may not exceed</u> (a)-(e) shall be limited to | |
| 3 | a cumulative <u>net</u> total of no more than 10 percent of the land | |
| 4 | in the initial district, and in no event <u>exceed</u> shall all such | |
| 5 | petitions to amend the boundaries ever encompass more than a | |
| 6 | total of 250 acres <u>on a cumulative net basis</u> . | |
| 7 | 2. During the existence of a district For districts | |
| 8 | initially established by county or municipal ordinance, the | |
| 9 | limitation provided by this paragraph <u>may not exceed</u> shall be | |
| 10 | a cumulative <u>net</u> total of no more than 50 percent of the land | |
| 11 | in the initial district, and in no event shall all such | |
| 12 | petitions to amend the boundaries ever encompass more than a | |
| 13 | total of 500 acres <u>on a cumulative net basis</u> . | |
| 14 | 3. Boundary expansions for districts initially | |
| 15 | established by county or municipal ordinance shall follow the | |
| 16 | procedure set forth in paragraph (b) or paragraph (c). | |
| 17 | $\frac{(f)(g)}{(g)}$ Petitions to amend the boundaries of the | |
| 18 | district which exceed the amount of land specified in | |
| 19 | paragraph <u>(e)</u> (f) shall be considered petitions to establish a | |
| 20 | new district and shall follow all of the procedures specified | |
| 21 | in <u>s. 190.005(1)(a)1. and 58. and must follow the process</u> | |
| 22 | provided in s. 190.005 for establishment of a new district. | |
| 23 | However, the resulting administrative rule or ordinance only | |
| 24 | amends the boundary of the district and does not establish a | |
| 25 | new district or cause a new 6-year or 10-year period to begin | |
| 26 | pursuant to s. 190.006(3)(a)2. s. 190.005. | |
| 27 | (g) In all cases of a petition to amend the boundaries | |
| 28 | of the district, the filing of the petition by the district | |
| 29 | board of supervisors constitutes the consent of the landowners | |
| 30 | within the district, with the exception of those landowners | |
| 31 | whose land is to be added to or deleted from the district. In | |
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1 such cases, the written consent of those landowners is 2 required. Section 14. Subsection (1) of section 190.047, Florida 3 4 Statutes, is amended to read: 190.047 Incorporation or annexation of district.--5 б (1) Upon attaining the population standards for 7 incorporation contained in s. 165.061, as determined by the Department of Community Affairs, any district wholly contained 8 within the unincorporated area of a county which also meets 9 the other requirements for incorporation contained in s. 10 11 <u>165.061</u> shall hold a referendum <u>at a general election</u> on the question of whether to incorporate. However, any district 12 13 contiguous to the boundary of a municipality may be annexed to the such municipality pursuant to the provisions of chapter 14 15 171. 16 Section 15. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this act, this act shall take effect upon becoming a law. 17 18 19 20 21 And the title is amended as follows: 22 Delete everything before the enacting clause 23 24 and insert: A bill to be entitled 25 An act relating to community development 26 districts; amending s. 190.003, F.S.; revising 27 28 definitions relating to community development 29 districts; amending s. 190.005, F.S.; specifying petition and filing fee requirements 30 31 for the establishment of districts; specifying 23 04/18/07 s2700d-ft26-c02 1:28 PM

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| 1 | 1 requirements for the adoption | of certain rules |
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| 2 | by the Florida Land and Water Adjudicatory | |
| 3 | Commission; providing requirements for the | |
| 4 | 4 establishment of districts lo | cated in multiple |
| 5 | 5 municipalities; amending s. 1 | 90.006, F.S.; |
| 6 | 6 revising provisions for deter | mining certain |
| 7 | 7 voting units for landowners w | ithin a district; |
| 8 | 8 requiring districts to publis | h notice of |
| 9 | 9 qualifying periods for election | ons; providing |
| 10 | 0 procedures for filling distri | ct board |
| 11 | vacancies; authorizing the board to appoint | |
| 12 | 2 qualified electors to the boa | rd under certain |
| 13 | 3 circumstances; amending s. 19 | 0.007, F.S.; |
| 14 | 4 specifying that certain affil | iations are not a |
| 15 | 5 conflict of interest for dist | rict board |
| 16 | members, managers, and employees; amending s. | |
| 17 | 7 190.008, F.S.; revising timef | rames and |
| 18 | 8 requirements for the preparat | ion of proposed |
| 19 | 9 district budgets; amending s. | 190.009, F.S.; |
| 20 | 0 requiring the district to fil | e disclosure |
| 21 | 1 documents and amendments rela | ting to the public |
| 22 | 2 financing and maintenance of | certain property |
| 23 | 3 in the property records of ea | ch county in which |
| 24 | 4 the district is located; amen | ding s. 190.011, |
| 25 | 5 F.S.; revising statutory auth | orization for the |
| 26 | 6 enforcement of district asses | sments; amending |
| 27 | 7 s. 190.012, F.S.; revising di | strict regulatory |
| 28 | jurisdiction and permitting authority for | |
| 29 | certain public improvements and community | |
| 30 | 0 facilities; authorizing the d | istrict to convey |
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| 1 | authorizing the district to adopt rules for | |
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| 2 | enforcement of deed restrictions outside the | |
| 3 | district pursuant to an interlocal agreement; | |
| 4 | revising the requirements for the adoption of | |
| 5 | such rules; amending s. 190.014, F.S.; | |
| б | specifying that non-ad valorem assessments | |
| 7 | levied to pay interest on bond anticipation | |
| 8 | notes do not qualify as assessment | |
| 9 | installments; amending s. 190.021, F.S.; | |
| 10 | authorizing the use of combined notice of | |
| 11 | proposed assessments under certain | |
| 12 | circumstances; providing that assessments | |
| 13 | authorized under ch. 170, F.S., constitute | |
| 14 | liens and are subject to certain collection | |
| 15 | procedures; amending s. 190.026, F.S.; | |
| 16 | providing that foreclosure proceedings | |
| 17 | authorized under ch. 170, F.S., apply to | |
| 18 | certain district proceedings; amending s. | |
| 19 | 190.033, F.S.; providing for competitive | |
| 20 | solicitation; authorizing the district to | |
| 21 | proceed with purchasing under certain | |
| 22 | circumstances; amending s. 190.046, F.S.; | |
| 23 | revising provisions for termination, | |
| 24 | contraction, or expansion of districts; | |
| 25 | specifying payment of certain fees to counties | |
| 26 | and municipalities; providing limitations for | |
| 27 | the amendment of certain district boundaries; | |
| 28 | requiring the written consent of certain | |
| 29 | landowners; amending s. 190.047, F.S.; | |
| 30 | specifying the determination of population | |
| 31 | standards by the Department of Community 25 | |
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| 2 | | annexation of districts; requiring | |
| 3 | | unincorporated areas to meet certain cr | iteria |
| 4 | | for incorporation; requiring certain re | ferenda |
| 5 | | to be held at general elections; provid | ling |
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