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1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to Broward County; amending chapter 98-
 3 521, Laws of Florida, as amended; requiring each member of
 4 the South Broward Utility Advisory Board appointed by the
 5 Town of Southwest Ranches to be a water or sewer user
 6 within the service area of the former South Broward
 7 Utility; providing an effective date.

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 9 WHEREAS, in 2008, chapter 98-521, Laws of Florida, was
 10 amended to provide the Town of Southwest Ranches ("Ranches")
 11 with two members on the South Broward Utility Advisory Board,
 12 and

13 WHEREAS, currently, the appointed members are required to
 14 be both water and sewer users within the South Broward Utility
 15 service area, and

16 WHEREAS, because most of the properties in the Ranches have
 17 wells and septic systems, very few properties use both water and
 18 sewer, and

19 WHEREAS, to increase the potential field of appointed board
 20 members, the Ranches desires for its appointees to be water or
 21 sewer users, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

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 25 Section 1. Section 1 of chapter 98-521, Laws of Florida,
 26 as amended by chapter 2008-278, Laws of Florida, is amended to
 27 read:

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28 Section 1. There is hereby created the South Broward
29 Utility Advisory Board, which shall be an advisory board of the
30 City of Sunrise. The board shall be composed of seven members,
31 as follows: two members shall be appointed by the City of
32 Sunrise, two members shall be appointed by the Town of Davie,
33 one member shall be appointed by the City of Pembroke Pines, and
34 two members shall be appointed by the Town of Southwest Ranches.
35 Each member appointed by the Town of Southwest Ranches shall be
36 a water or sewer user within the service area of the former
37 South Broward Utility. All other ~~Each~~ appointed members ~~member~~
38 shall be ~~a~~ water and sewer users ~~user~~ within the service area of
39 the former South Broward Utility. The term ~~Terms~~ of each member
40 shall be for 2 years, except that all appointments and retention
41 of board members shall be at the sole discretion of the
42 appointing authorities.

43 (1) The responsibility of the board shall be to review and
44 advise the City of Sunrise regarding any proposed change by the
45 city to the water and sewer rates charged within the area which
46 was formerly the South Broward Utility service area. In the
47 event of a proposed rate change within such area, the South
48 Broward Utility Advisory Board may require the City of Sunrise
49 to hire a rate consultant to advise the city regarding such
50 proposed rate change.

51 (2) Within 30 days following notice of a rate change, the
52 advisory board shall present a report of its findings to the
53 Commission of the City of Sunrise. If presented within the 30-
54 day period, the report shall be considered by the commission

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55 | before rates may be altered or changed within the area formerly
56 | served by the South Broward Utility.

57 | (3) The City of Sunrise shall appropriate not more than
58 | \$25,000 annually for a rate consultant for the South Broward
59 | Utility Advisory Board, as provided in subsection (1).

60 | (4) The advisory board shall have no legal standing to
61 | bring any legal action.

62 | (5) The City of Sunrise shall, by ordinance, provide for
63 | such other procedures and regulations which are not in conflict
64 | with this act as are necessary for the continued operation of
65 | the board.

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