

By Senator Negrón

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to county boundary lines; amending s.
3 7.43, F.S.; incorporating a portion of St. Lucie
4 County into Martin County; revising the legal
5 description of Martin County; amending s. 7.59, F.S.;
6 revising the legal description of St. Lucie County, to
7 conform; 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. Section 7.43, Florida Statutes, is amended to
12 read:

13 7.43 Martin County.—The boundary lines of Martin County are
14 as follows: Beginning at the northwest corner of township
15 thirty-eight south, range thirty-seven east; thence east,
16 concurrent with the south boundary line of St. Lucie County, to
17 the southwest corner of section thirty-one, township thirty-
18 seven south, range forty-one east; thence north on the west line
19 of said section thirty-one and section thirty, township thirty-
20 seven south, range forty-one east, 6,459 feet to a point lying
21 within the water body of the north fork of the St. Lucie River;
22 thence departing said line within the north fork of the St.
23 Lucie River a bearing direction of 41 degrees north, 4 minutes
24 west, a distance of 6,155 feet, more or less, to a point lying
25 within the water body of the north fork of the St. Lucie River;
26 thence departing said point a bearing direction of 45 degrees
27 north, 16 minutes east, a distance of 2,355 feet, more or less,
28 to a point intersecting with the south shore of the north fork
29 of the St. Lucie River and the west edge of the Howard Creek as

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30 concurrent with the City of Port St. Lucie municipal boundary
31 limits; thence departing said intersecting shore and edge lines
32 following along the City of Port St. Lucie municipal boundary
33 line north along the west edge of Howard Creek to the south line
34 of the northeast quarter of section twenty-four, township
35 thirty-seven south, range forty east; thence east along said
36 south line of the northeast quarter to the intersection of the
37 east 924.15 feet of section twenty-four, township thirty-seven
38 south, range forty east; thence north along said east 924.15-
39 foot line of section twenty-four, township thirty-seven south,
40 range forty east, to the intersection of the north line of the
41 south 508.15 feet of the northeast quarter of section twenty-
42 four, township thirty-seven south, range forty east; thence east
43 along said south 508.15-foot line of the northeast quarter of
44 said section twenty-four, township thirty-seven south, range
45 forty east, to an intersection with the west line of township
46 thirty-seven south, range forty-one east, also being the
47 existing Martin County boundary line; thence north concurrent
48 with the Martin County boundary line, along the west line of
49 sections nineteen and eighteen, township thirty-seven south,
50 range forty-one east, ~~other sections~~ to the northwest corner of
51 section eighteen, township thirty-seven south, range forty-one
52 east; thence east on the north line of said section eighteen and
53 other sections to the waters of the Atlantic Ocean; thence
54 easterly to the eastern boundary of the State of Florida; thence
55 southward along the coast, including the waters of the Atlantic
56 Ocean within the jurisdiction of the State of Florida, to the
57 south line of section twenty, township forty south, range forty-
58 three east, produced easterly; thence west on the south line of

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59 said section twenty, and other sections, to the southwest corner
60 of section twenty-two, township forty south, range forty-two
61 east; thence south on the east line of section twenty-eight,
62 township forty south, range forty-two east, to the southeast
63 corner of said section twenty-eight; thence west on the south
64 line of said section twenty-eight and other sections to the east
65 shore of Lake Okeechobee; thence continue west in a straight
66 course to the northeast corner of section thirty-six, township
67 forty south, range thirty-four east, being the southwest corner
68 of section thirty, township forty south, range thirty-five east;
69 thence northeasterly in a straight course to the line of normal
70 water level on the boundary of Lake Okeechobee at its
71 intersection with the line dividing ranges thirty-six and
72 thirty-seven east, township thirty-eight south; thence north on
73 said range line to the place of beginning.

74 Section 2. Section 7.59, Florida Statutes, is amended to
75 read:

76 7.59 St. Lucie County.—The boundary lines of St. Lucie
77 County are as follows: Beginning on the eastern boundary of the
78 State of Florida at a point where the north section line of
79 section thirteen, township thirty-seven south, range forty-one
80 east, produced easterly, would intersect the same; thence
81 westerly on the north line of said section and other sections to
82 the northwest corner of section eighteen, township thirty-seven
83 south, range forty-one east; thence south along the range line
84 between ranges forty east and forty-one east which is concurrent
85 with the St. Lucie County and Martin County boundary lines to
86 the intersection with the north line of the south 508.15 feet of
87 the northeast quarter of section twenty-four, township thirty-

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88 seven south, range forty east; thence west along the south
89 508.15-foot line of the northeast quarter of section twenty-
90 four, township thirty-seven south, range forty east and
91 concurrent with the municipal boundary line of the City of Port
92 St. Lucie to the intersection of the east 924.15-foot line of
93 section twenty-four, township thirty-seven south, range forty
94 east; thence south along the east 924.15-foot line of section
95 twenty-four, township thirty-seven south, range forty east and
96 continuing along the municipal boundary line of the City of Port
97 St. Lucie, to the intersection of the south line of the
98 northeast quarter of section twenty-four, township thirty-seven
99 south, range forty east; thence west along the south line of the
100 northeast quarter of section twenty-four, township thirty-seven
101 south, range forty east to the intersection with the west edge
102 of Howard Creek; thence southerly and along with the west edge
103 of Howard Creek being concurrent with the municipal boundary
104 line of the City of Port St. Lucie to the intersection of the
105 south shore of the north fork of the St. Lucie River and the
106 west edge of Howard Creek as concurrent with the City of Port
107 St. Lucie municipal boundary; thence departing said south shore
108 of the north fork of the St. Lucie River and the municipal
109 boundary line of the City of Port St. Lucie, south 45 degrees,
110 16 minutes west, 2,355 feet more or less, to a point within the
111 body of water of the north fork of the St. Lucie River; thence
112 departing said point south 41 degrees, 4 minutes east, 6,155
113 feet more or less to a point located in the body of the north
114 fork of the St. Lucie River which intersects with the west line
115 of section thirty, township thirty-seven south, range forty-one
116 east; thence south 6,459 feet along the west line of sections

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117 thirty and thirty-one, township thirty-seven south, range forty-
118 one east, to the intersection with ~~on the range line between~~
119 ~~ranges forty and forty-one east,~~ to the township line between
120 townships thirty-seven and thirty-eight south; also being the
121 southwest corner of section thirty-one, township thirty-seven,
122 range forty-one east; thence west on the said township line to
123 the range line dividing ranges thirty-six and thirty-seven east;
124 thence north on said range line, concurrent with the east
125 boundary of Okeechobee County, to the northwest corner of
126 township thirty-four south, range thirty-seven east; thence east
127 on the township line dividing townships thirty-three and thirty-
128 four south, to the Atlantic Ocean; thence continuing easterly to
129 the eastern boundary of the State of Florida; thence southerly
130 along said east boundary, including the waters of the Atlantic
131 Ocean within the jurisdiction of the State of Florida, to the
132 place of beginning.

133 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2012.