

By Senator Ring

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to neighborhood improvement districts;
3 amending s. 163.506, F.S.; providing that an ordinance
4 that creates a neighborhood improvement district may
5 authorize the district to exercise certain powers in
6 addition to those already granted to such districts;
7 specifying such powers; establishing that a
8 neighborhood improvement district shall be treated as
9 a community development district regarding certain
10 exemption and bond provisions described in ch. 190,
11 F.S.; prohibiting a neighborhood improvement district
12 from being dissolved until arrangements are made for
13 payment of its debt; providing an effective date.
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15 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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17 Section 1. Paragraph (i) is added to subsection (1) of
18 section 163.506, Florida Statutes, to read:

19 163.506 Local government neighborhood improvement
20 districts; creation; advisory council; dissolution.—

21 (1) After a local planning ordinance has been adopted
22 authorizing the creation of local government neighborhood
23 improvement districts, the local governing body of a
24 municipality or county may create local government neighborhood
25 improvement districts by the enactment of a separate ordinance
26 for each district, which ordinance:

27 (i) Authorizes the district to exercise powers, in addition
28 to those described in s. 163.514, deemed necessary and useful by
29 the local governing body, including the power to borrow money

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30 and incur indebtedness; finance and refinance projects of the
31 district; pledge revenues and ad valorem taxes to secure or
32 repay obligations of the district; and lease or lease-purchase
33 property, as lessor or lessee, and impose user fees and charges.
34 For purposes of this paragraph, a neighborhood improvement
35 district:

36 1. Shall be treated as a community development district
37 regarding the exemption provisions described in ss. 190.044 and
38 190.021(6) and the bond provisions described in s.
39 190.016(4), (10), and (14).

40 2. May not be dissolved until arrangements are made for
41 payment of its debt.

42 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2013.