

By the Committee on Transportation; and Senator Simmons

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to the Central Florida Expressway
3 Authority; amending s. 348.753, F.S.; requiring the
4 chairs of the boards of specified county commissions
5 each to appoint one member from their respective
6 counties who is a commission member or chair or a
7 county mayor to serve on the governing body of the
8 authority; specifying that the terms of members
9 appointed by the Governor end on a specified date;
10 removing the requirement that the authority elect one
11 of its members as secretary; amending s. 348.757,
12 F.S.; removing the requirement that title in fee
13 simple absolute to the former Orlando-Orange County
14 Expressway System be transferred to the state upon the
15 completion of the faithful performance and termination
16 of a specified lease-purchase agreement; providing an
17 effective date.

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

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21 Section 1. Subsection (3) and paragraph (a) of subsection
22 (4) of section 348.753, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
23 348.753 Central Florida Expressway Authority.—

24 (3) The governing body of the authority shall consist of
25 nine members. The chairs of the boards of the county commissions
26 of Seminole, Lake, and Osceola Counties shall each appoint one
27 member from their respective counties, who must ~~may~~ be a
28 commission member or chair or a county mayor. The Mayor of
29 Orange County shall appoint a member from the Orange County

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30 Commission. The Governor shall appoint three citizen members,
31 each of whom must be a citizen of either Orange County, Seminole
32 County, Lake County, or Osceola County. ~~The eighth member must~~
33 ~~be the Mayor of Orange County and. The ninth member must be the~~
34 Mayor of the City of Orlando shall also serve as members. The
35 executive director of the Florida Turnpike Enterprise shall
36 serve as a nonvoting advisor to the governing body of the
37 authority. Each member appointed by the Governor shall serve for
38 4 years, with his or her term ending on December 31 of his or
39 her last year of service. Each county-appointed member shall
40 serve for 2 years. ~~The terms of standing board members expire~~
41 ~~June 20, 2014~~. Each appointed member shall hold office until his
42 or her successor has been appointed and has qualified. A vacancy
43 occurring during a term must be filled only for the balance of
44 the unexpired term. Each appointed member of the authority must
45 ~~shall~~ be a person of outstanding reputation for integrity,
46 responsibility, and business ability, but, except as provided in
47 this subsection, a person who is an officer or employee of a
48 municipality or county may not be an appointed member of the
49 authority. Any member of the authority is eligible for
50 reappointment.

51 (4) (a) The authority shall elect one of its members as
52 chair of the authority. The authority shall also elect one of
53 its members as vice chair, ~~one of its members as secretary,~~ and
54 one of its members as treasurer. The chair, vice chair,
55 ~~secretary,~~ and treasurer shall hold such offices at the will of
56 the authority. Five members of the authority constitute a
57 quorum, and the vote of five members is necessary for any action
58 taken by the authority. A vacancy in the authority does not

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59 impair the right of a quorum of the authority to exercise all of
60 the rights and perform all of the duties of the authority.

61 Section 2. Subsection (2) of section 348.757, Florida
62 Statutes, is amended to read:

63 348.757 Lease-purchase agreement.—

64 (2) The lease-purchase agreement must provide for the
65 leasing of the former Orlando-Orange County Expressway System,
66 by the authority, as lessor, to the department, as lessee, and
67 must prescribe the term of such lease and the rentals to be
68 paid, ~~and must provide that upon the completion of the faithful~~
69 ~~performance and the termination of the lease purchase agreement,~~
70 ~~title in fee simple absolute to the former Orlando-Orange County~~
71 ~~Expressway System as then constituted shall be transferred in~~
72 ~~accordance with law by the authority, to the state and the~~
73 ~~authority shall deliver to the department such deeds and~~
74 ~~conveyances as shall be necessary or convenient to vest title in~~
75 ~~fee simple absolute in the state.~~

76 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2015.