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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to the Cattle Market Development Act;
3 amending s. 570.83, F.S.; renaming the Beef Market
4 Development Act as the Cattle Market Development Act;
5 renaming the Florida Beef Council, Inc., as the
6 Florida Cattle Enhancement Board, Inc.; conforming
7 intent and definitions; removing a provision that
8 deems a cow and nursing calf sold together as one
9 unit; authorizing the Cattle Enhancement Board to
10 impose additional assessments; limiting referenda on
11 per-head-of-cattle assessments to once every 3 years;
12 providing for the Commissioner of Agriculture to
13 appoint a voting member rather than an ex officio,
14 nonvoting member to the governing board of the Cattle
15 Enhancement Board; providing for staggered terms of
16 governing board members; providing for initial and
17 subsequent appointment of governing board members;
18 authorizing the commissioner to initiate a referendum
19 on assessments with certain notice; directing the
20 commissioner to designate a specified number of days
21 for a referendum to take place; removing provisions
22 requiring the board to maintain frequent communication
23 with officers and industry representatives at the
24 state and national levels; removing provisions
25 authorizing the board to sue and be sued without
26 individual liability of the members, to maintain a

27 financial reserve for emergency use, to appoint
 28 advisory groups, to accept grants, donations,
 29 contributions, or gifts from any source, and to pay
 30 other organizations for work or services; specifying a
 31 date by which collection agents must collect and
 32 forward assessments to the board; removing provisions
 33 entitling collection agents to deduct a fee from the
 34 amount of assessments collected; removing the
 35 scheduled repeal of the act; providing an effective
 36 date.

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

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 40 Section 1. Section 570.83, Florida Statutes, is amended to
 41 read:

42 570.83 Cattle ~~Beef~~ Market Development Act; definitions;
 43 Florida Cattle Enhancement Board ~~Beef Council~~, Inc., creation,
 44 purposes, governing board, powers, and duties; referendum on
 45 assessments imposed on gross receipts from cattle sales;
 46 payments to organizations for services; collecting and refunding
 47 assessments; vote on continuing the act; board ~~council~~ bylaws.—

48 (1) SHORT TITLE ~~POPULAR NAME~~.—This section ~~act~~ may be
 49 cited as the "Cattle ~~Beef~~ Market Development Act."

50 (2) LEGISLATIVE INTENT.—The Legislature intends by this
 51 act to promote the growth of the cattle industry in this state;
 52 to assure the public an adequate and wholesome food supply; to

53 provide for the general economic welfare of producers and
54 consumers of beef and the state; and to provide the ~~beef~~ cattle
55 ~~production and feeding~~ industry of this state with the authority
56 to establish a self-financed, self-governed program to help
57 develop, maintain, and expand the state, national, and foreign
58 markets for beef and beef products that are produced, processed,
59 or manufactured in this state.

60 (3) DEFINITIONS.—As used in this section ~~act~~, the term:

61 (a) "Beef" or "beef products" means the products of beef
62 intended for human consumption which are derived from any bovine
63 animal, regardless of age, including, but not limited to, veal.

64 ~~(b)-(c)~~ "Board" or "Florida Cattle Enhancement Board"
65 ~~"Council"~~ means the Florida Cattle Enhancement Board ~~Beef~~
66 ~~Council~~, Inc.

67 ~~(c)-(b)~~ "Cattle" means such animals as are so designated by
68 federal law, including any marketing, promotion, and research
69 orders as are in effect. Unless such federal law provides to the
70 contrary, the term "cattle" includes all bovine animals,
71 regardless of age, including, but not limited to, calves. ~~A cow~~
72 ~~and nursing calf sold together are considered one unit.~~

73 ~~(d)-(e)~~ "Collection agent" means a person who sells, offers
74 for sale, markets, distributes, trades, or processes cattle that
75 have been purchased or acquired from a producer or that are
76 marketed on behalf of a producer. The term also includes
77 meatpacking firms and their agents that purchase or consign to
78 purchase cattle.

79 (e)~~(d)~~ "Department" means the Department of Agriculture
 80 and Consumer Services.

81 (f) "Person" means any natural person, partnership,
 82 corporation, company, association, society, trust, or other
 83 business unit or organization.

84 (g) "Producer" means a person that has owned or sold
 85 cattle in the previous calendar year or presently owns cattle.

86 (4) FLORIDA CATTLE ENHANCEMENT BOARD ~~BEEF COUNCIL~~, INC. ;
 87 CREATION; PURPOSES.—

88 (a) There is created the Florida Cattle Enhancement Board
 89 ~~Beef Council~~, Inc., a not-for-profit corporation organized under
 90 the laws of this state for the purpose of ~~and~~ operating as a
 91 direct-support organization to ~~of~~ the department pursuant to
 92 this section.

93 (b) The board ~~may council is authorized to~~ impose an
 94 initial assessment, in addition to any other assessment provided
 95 by law, of not more than \$1 on each head of cattle sold in the
 96 state if the imposition of the assessment is approved by
 97 referendum pursuant to subsection (6). The proceeds of the
 98 assessment shall be used to fund the activities of the board
 99 ~~council~~. ~~The council shall:~~

100 ~~1. Establish the amount of the assessment at not more than~~
 101 ~~\$1 per head of cattle.~~

102 ~~2. Develop, implement, and monitor a collection system for~~
 103 ~~the assessment.~~

104 ~~3. Coordinate the collection of the assessment with other~~

105 ~~states.~~

106 ~~4. Establish refund procedures.~~

107 ~~5. Conduct referenda under subsections (6) and (12).~~

108 ~~(c) The council shall:~~

109 ~~1. Plan, implement, and conduct programs of promotion,~~
 110 ~~research, and consumer information or industry information which~~
 111 ~~are designed to strengthen the cattle industry's market position~~
 112 ~~in this state and in the nation and to maintain and expand~~
 113 ~~domestic and foreign markets and expand uses for beef and beef~~
 114 ~~products.~~

115 ~~2. Use the proceeds of the assessment for the purpose of~~
 116 ~~funding cattle production and beef research, education,~~
 117 ~~promotion, and consumer and industry information in this state~~
 118 ~~and in the nation.~~

119 ~~3. Plan and implement a cattle and beef industry feedback~~
 120 ~~program in this state.~~

121 ~~4. Coordinate research, education, promotion, industry,~~
 122 ~~and consumer information programs with any national programs or~~
 123 ~~programs of other states.~~

124 ~~5. Develop new uses and markets for beef and beef~~
 125 ~~products.~~

126 ~~6. Develop and improve methods of distributing beef and~~
 127 ~~beef products to the consumer.~~

128 ~~7. Develop methods of improving the quality of beef and~~
 129 ~~beef products for the benefit of consumers.~~

130 ~~8. Inform and educate the public concerning the nutritive~~

131 ~~and economic values of beef and beef products.~~

132 ~~9. Serve as a liaison within the beef and other food~~
 133 ~~industries of the state and elsewhere in matters that would~~
 134 ~~increase efficiencies that ultimately benefit both consumers and~~
 135 ~~industry.~~

136 ~~10. Buy, sell, mortgage, rent, or improve, in any manner~~
 137 ~~that the council considers expedient, real property or personal~~
 138 ~~property, or both.~~

139 ~~11. Publish and distribute such papers or periodicals as~~
 140 ~~the board of directors considers necessary to encourage and~~
 141 ~~accomplish the purposes of the council.~~

142 ~~12. Do all other acts necessary or expedient for the~~
 143 ~~administration of the affairs and attainment of the purposes of~~
 144 ~~the council.~~

145 ~~13. Approve an annual plan, budget, and audit for the~~
 146 ~~council.~~

147 ~~(c)(d)1.~~ The board ~~council~~ may not participate in or
 148 intervene in any political campaign on behalf of or in
 149 opposition to any candidate for public office. This restriction
 150 includes, but is not limited to, a prohibition against
 151 publishing or distributing any statements.

152 ~~(d)2. No part of~~ The net receipts of the board ~~may not~~
 153 ~~council shall~~ inure to the benefit of or be distributable to its
 154 directors, its officers, or other private persons, except that
 155 the board ~~council~~ may pay reasonable compensation for services
 156 rendered by staff employees and may make payments and

157 distributions in furtherance ~~of the purposes~~ of this section
 158 ~~act.~~

159 (e)3. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the
 160 board council may not carry on any other activities prohibited
 161 for not permitted to be carried on:

162 1.a. ~~By~~ A corporation exempt from federal income tax under
 163 s. 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended;
 164 or

165 2.b. ~~By~~ A corporation to which contributions are
 166 deductible under s. 170(c) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code of
 167 1986, as amended.

168 (f)4. Notwithstanding any other statement of the purposes
 169 and responsibilities of the board council, the board council may
 170 not engage in any activities or exercise any powers that are not
 171 in furtherance of its ~~specific and primary~~ purposes.

172 (5) GOVERNING BOARD.—

173 (a) The Florida Cattle Enhancement Board ~~Beef Council,~~
 174 ~~Inc.~~ shall be governed by a board of directors composed of 14
 175 13 members as follows:

176 1. ~~Eight, including 8~~ representatives of the Florida
 177 Cattlemen's Association, of whom one is a representative of the
 178 Florida Association of Livestock Markets and one is a practicing
 179 order buyer. ~~†~~

180 2. One ~~a~~ representative of the Dairy Farmers, Inc. ~~†~~

181 3. One ~~a~~ representative of the Florida CattleWomen, Inc. ~~†~~

182 4. One ~~a~~ representative of the Florida Farm Bureau

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183 Federation.~~†~~

184 5. One representative of an allied-industry.

185 6. One representative of the department appointed by the
186 Commissioner of Agriculture. ~~representative; and~~

187 7. One representative of the an Institute of Food and
188 Agricultural Sciences representative.

189 (b) The initial board of directors shall be appointed by
190 the Commissioner of Agriculture for staggered terms ~~a term~~ of 1
191 year for three members, 2 years for three members, 3 years for
192 four members, and 4 years for four members. Each subsequent
193 vacancy shall be filled in accordance with the bylaws of the
194 Florida Cattle Enhancement Board ~~council~~. Thereafter, each ~~board~~
195 member of the board of directors shall be appointed by the
196 Florida Cattle Enhancement Board to serve a 3-year term and may
197 be reappointed to serve an additional consecutive term. A member
198 may not serve more than two consecutive terms. A member must be
199 a resident of this state and must be a producer who has been a
200 producer for at least the 5 years immediately preceding the
201 first day of his or her service on the board, except that the
202 representative of the Florida Farm Bureau Federation, the
203 allied-industry representative, the department representative,
204 and the Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences
205 representative need not be producers. All members of the beef
206 council board of directors ~~positions~~ shall serve without
207 compensation but be unsalaried ; however, the board members are
208 entitled to reimbursement as provided in s. 112.061 for travel

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209 and other expenses incurred in carrying out ~~the intents and~~
210 ~~purposes of this section act.~~

211 (c) The Florida Cattle Enhancement Board ~~council~~ shall
212 provide for its officers through its bylaws, including the
213 ability to set forth offices and responsibilities and form
214 committees necessary for the implementation of this section act.
215 ~~The Commissioner of Agriculture may designate an ex officio~~
216 ~~nonvoting member of the board of directors.~~

217 (d) If a member of the board of directors misses three
218 consecutive, officially called meetings, the board of directors
219 may declare that position vacant.

220 (6) REFERENDUM ON ASSESSMENTS.—

221 (a) All producers in this state shall have the opportunity
222 to vote in a referendum to determine whether the Florida Cattle
223 Enhancement Board ~~may council shall be authorized to~~ impose an
224 assessment of not more than \$1 per head on cattle sold in the
225 state. The referendum shall pose the question: "Do you approve
226 of a Florida ~~an~~ assessment program, up to \$1 per head of cattle
227 pursuant to section 570.83, Florida Statutes, to be funded
228 through specific contributions that are mandatory and refundable
229 upon request?" The initial referendum under this paragraph shall
230 take place within 180 days after July 1, 2015. Such referendum
231 may not be held more often than once every 3 years.

232 (b) Additional referenda may be held to authorize the
233 board to increase the assessment to more than \$1 per head of
234 cattle if the board receives petitions from at least 1,800

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235 producers or 10 percent of Florida's producers as determined by
236 the department, whichever is less, requesting an increase in the
237 assessment or if the board, by a two-thirds vote of its voting
238 members, approves a motion to increase the assessment. All
239 petition signatures must be collected within a consecutive 12-
240 month period. The referendum shall pose the question: "Do you
241 approve of granting the Florida Cattle Enhancement Board, Inc.,
242 authority to increase the per-head-of-cattle assessment pursuant
243 to section 570.83, Florida Statutes, from ...(present rate)...
244 to up to a maximum of ...(proposed rate)... per head?" Such
245 referendum may not be held more often than once every 3 years.

246 (c) If the board receives petitions from at least 1,800
247 producers or 10 percent of Florida's producers as determined by
248 the department, whichever is less, asking, "Shall the assessment
249 authorized by the Cattle Market Development Act continue?" the
250 board shall, within 90 days, conduct a referendum to determine
251 whether a majority of the producers voting in the referendum
252 support the continuation of the Cattle Market Development Act.
253 All petition signatures must be collected within a consecutive
254 12-month period. Such referendum may not be held more often than
255 once every 3 years.

256 (d) The Commissioner of Agriculture may initiate a
257 referendum with a 90-day notice, but not more often than once
258 every 3 years.

259 (e) ~~(a)~~ A referendum held under this subsection ~~section~~
260 must be conducted by secret ballot at extension offices of the

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261 Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences of the University of
262 Florida or at offices of the United States Department of
263 Agriculture with the cooperation of the department to ensure
264 fairness in the referendum process.

265 (f) The Commissioner of Agriculture shall designate at
266 least 5 but not more than 10 consecutive business days for a
267 referendum to take place.

268 (g)~~(b)~~ Notice of a referendum ~~to be held under this act~~
269 must be given at least once in trade publications, the public
270 press, and statewide newspapers at least 30 days before the
271 referendum is held.

272 ~~(c) Additional referenda may be held to authorize the~~
273 ~~council to increase the assessment to more than \$1 per head of~~
274 ~~cattle. Such referendum shall pose the question: "Do you approve~~
275 ~~of granting the Florida Beef Council, Inc., authority to~~
276 ~~increase the per head of cattle assessment pursuant to section~~
277 ~~570.83, Florida Statutes, from ... (present rate)... to up to a~~
278 ~~maximum of ... (proposed rate)... per head?" Referenda may not be~~
279 ~~held more often than once every 3 years.~~

280 (h)~~(d)~~ Each ~~cattle~~ producer is entitled to only one vote
281 in a referendum held under this subsection ~~section~~. Proof of
282 identification and cattle ownership must be presented before
283 voting.

284 (i)~~(e)~~ A simple majority of those casting ballots shall
285 determine any issue that requires a referendum under this
286 subsection ~~section~~.

- 287 (7) POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE BOARD ~~COUNCIL~~.—
- 288 (a) The board ~~council~~ shall:
- 289 1. Establish the amount of the assessment at not more than
- 290 \$1 per head of cattle.
- 291 2. Develop, implement, and monitor a collection system for
- 292 the assessment.
- 293 3. Coordinate the collection of the assessment with other
- 294 states.
- 295 4. Establish refund procedures.
- 296 5. Conduct referenda under subsection (6).
- 297 6. Plan, implement, and conduct programs of promotion,
- 298 research, and consumer information or industry information which
- 299 are designed to strengthen the market position of the cattle
- 300 industry in this state and in the nation and to maintain and
- 301 expand domestic and foreign markets and expand uses for beef and
- 302 beef products.
- 303 7. Use the proceeds of the assessment for the purpose of
- 304 funding cattle production and beef research, education,
- 305 promotion, and consumer and industry information in this state
- 306 and in the nation.
- 307 8. Plan and implement a cattle and beef industry feedback
- 308 program in this state.
- 309 9. Coordinate research, education, promotion, industry,
- 310 and consumer information programs with any national programs or
- 311 programs of other states.
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313 industries of the state and elsewhere in matters that would
314 increase efficiencies that ultimately benefit consumers and
315 industry.

316 11. Buy, sell, mortgage, rent, or improve, in any manner
317 that the council considers expedient, real property or personal
318 property, or both.

319 12. Publish and distribute such papers or periodicals as
320 the board of directors considers necessary to encourage and
321 accomplish the purposes of the Florida Cattle Enhancement Board.

322 13.1. Receive and disburse funds, pursuant to ~~as~~
323 ~~prescribed elsewhere in this section act,~~ to be used in
324 administering and implementing this section ~~the act.~~

325 2. ~~Maintain a permanent record of its business~~
326 ~~proceedings.~~

327 3. ~~Maintain a permanent, detailed record of its financial~~
328 ~~dealings.~~

329 4. ~~Prepare periodic reports and an annual report of its~~
330 ~~activities for the fiscal year, for review by the beef industry~~
331 ~~in this state, and file its annual report with the department.~~

332 14.5. Prepare, for review by the beef industry in this
333 state, periodic reports and an annual accounting for each fiscal
334 year of all receipts and expenditures to be filed with the
335 department, and ~~shall~~ retain a certified public accountant for
336 this purpose.

337 15.6. Appoint a licensed banking institution to serve as
338 the depository for program funds and to handle disbursements of

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339 those funds.

340 ~~7. Maintain frequent communication with officers and~~
341 ~~industry representatives at the state and national levels,~~
342 ~~including the department.~~

343 16.8. Maintain an office in this state.

344 17. Do all other acts necessary permitted by law to
345 further the intent of this section.

346 (b) The board ~~council~~ may:

347 1. Conduct or contract for scientific research with any
348 accredited university, college, or similar institution, and
349 enter into other contracts or agreements that will aid in
350 carrying out the purposes of the program, including contracts
351 for the purchase or acquisition of facilities or equipment
352 necessary to carry out the purposes of the program.

353 2. Disseminate reliable information benefiting the
354 consumer and the beef industry on subjects such as, but not
355 limited to, the purchase, identification, care, storage,
356 handling, cookery, preparation, serving, and nutritive value of
357 beef and beef products.

358 ~~3. Provide to government bodies, on request, information~~
359 ~~relating to subjects of concern to the beef industry, and may~~
360 Act jointly or in cooperation with the state or Federal
361 Government, and agencies thereof, in the development or
362 administration of programs that the board ~~council~~ considers to
363 be consistent with the objectives of the program.

364 ~~4. Sue and be sued as a council without individual~~

365 ~~liability of the members for acts of the council when acting~~
366 ~~within the scope of the powers of this act and in the manner~~
367 ~~prescribed by the laws of this state.~~

368 4.5. Borrow from licensed lending institutions money in
369 amounts that are not cumulatively greater than 50 percent of the
370 board's council's anticipated annual income.

371 ~~6. Maintain a financial reserve for emergency use, the~~
372 ~~total of which must not exceed 50 percent of the council's~~
373 ~~anticipated annual income.~~

374 ~~7. Appoint advisory groups composed of representatives~~
375 ~~from organizations, institutions, governments, or businesses~~
376 ~~related to or interested in the welfare of the beef industry and~~
377 ~~the consuming public.~~

378 5.8. Employ staff subordinate officers and employees of
379 ~~the council~~, prescribe their duties, and fix their compensation
380 and terms of employment.

381 6.9. Cooperate with any local, state, regional, or
382 nationwide organization or agency engaged in work or activities
383 consistent with the objectives of the program.

384 ~~7.10.~~ Cause any duly authorized agent or representative to
385 enter upon the premises of any market agency, market agent,
386 collection agency, or collection agent and examine or cause to
387 be examined, only by the authorized agent, ~~only~~ books, papers,
388 and records that deal with the payment of the assessment
389 provided for in this section ~~act~~ or with the enforcement of this
390 section ~~act~~.

391 ~~11. Do all other things necessary to further the intent of~~
 392 ~~this act which are not prohibited by law.~~

393 ~~(8) ACCEPTANCE OF GRANTS AND GIFTS. The council may accept~~
 394 ~~grants, donations, contributions, or gifts from any source if~~
 395 ~~the use of such resources is not restricted in any manner that~~
 396 ~~the council considers to be inconsistent with the objectives of~~
 397 ~~the program.~~

398 ~~(9) PAYMENTS TO ORGANIZATIONS.—~~

399 ~~(a) The council may pay funds to other organizations for~~
 400 ~~work or services performed which are consistent with the~~
 401 ~~objectives of the program.~~

402 ~~(b) Before making payments described in this subsection,~~
 403 ~~the council must secure a written agreement that the~~
 404 ~~organization receiving payment will:~~

405 ~~1. Furnish at least annually, or more frequently on~~
 406 ~~request of the council, written or printed reports of program~~
 407 ~~activities and reports of financial data that are relative to~~
 408 ~~the council's funding of such activities; and~~

409 ~~2. Agree to have appropriate representatives attend~~
 410 ~~business meetings of the council as reasonably requested by the~~
 411 ~~chairperson of the council.~~

412 ~~(c) The council may require adequate proof of security~~
 413 ~~bonding on said funds to any individual, business, or other~~
 414 ~~organization.~~

415 ~~(8) (10) COLLECTION OF MONEYS AT TIME OF MARKETING.—~~

416 ~~(a) Each collection agent shall may deduct from the gross~~

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417 receipts of the producer, at the time of sale, the assessment
418 imposed by the board ~~council~~.

419 (b) The collection agent shall collect all such moneys and
420 forward them to the board by the 15th of each ~~council~~
421 ~~periodically, at least once a month.~~ and The board ~~council~~
422 shall provide appropriate business forms for the convenience of
423 the collecting agent in executing this duty.

424 (c) The board ~~council~~ shall maintain within its financial
425 records a separate accounting of all moneys received under this
426 section ~~subsection~~.

427 (d) The assessment is due and payable upon the sale of
428 cattle in this state. The assessment constitutes a personal debt
429 of the producer who is so assessed or who otherwise owes the
430 assessment. If a producer fails to remit any properly due
431 assessment, the board ~~council~~ may bring a civil action against
432 that person in the circuit court of any county for the
433 collection thereof, and may add a penalty in the amount of 10
434 percent of the assessment owed, the cost of enforcing the
435 collection of the assessment, court costs, and reasonable
436 attorney ~~attorney's~~ fees. The action shall be tried and judgment
437 rendered as in any other cause of action for debts due and
438 payable. All assessments, penalties, and enforcement costs are
439 due and payable to the board ~~council~~.

440 (e) The board ~~council~~ may adopt reciprocal agreements with
441 other beef councils or similar organizations relating to moneys
442 collected by ~~at~~ Florida collection agents on cattle from other

443 states and to Florida cattle sold at other state markets.

444 ~~(f) The collection agents shall be entitled to deduct 2.5~~
445 ~~percent of the amount collected to retain as a reasonable~~
446 ~~collection allowance prior to remitting the funds to the~~
447 ~~council.~~

448 (9) ~~(11)~~ REFUNDS.—

449 (a) A producer who has had moneys deducted from his or her
450 gross sales receipts under this section ~~act~~ is entitled to a
451 prompt and full refund on request.

452 (b) The board ~~council~~ shall make available to all
453 collection agents business forms for requesting refunds
454 ~~permitting request for refund~~, which forms are to be submitted
455 by the objecting producer within 45 days after the sale
456 transaction takes place.

457 (c) A refund claim must include the claimant's signature,
458 date of sale, place of sale, number of cattle, and amount of
459 assessment deducted, and must have attached thereto proof of the
460 assessment deducted.

461 (d) If the board ~~council~~ has reasonable doubt that a
462 refund claim is valid, it may withhold payment and take such
463 action as it considers necessary to determine the validity of
464 the claim. Any dispute arising under this subsection shall be
465 determined as specified in paragraph (8) (d) ~~(10) (d)~~.

466 (e) The board ~~council~~ shall take action on refund requests
467 within 30 calendar days following the date of receipt of the
468 request.

469 (f) Only the producer may initiate a request for refund.
 470 ~~(12) VOTE ON CONTINUING THE ASSESSMENT. Upon the delivery~~
 471 ~~by certified mail to the Florida Beef Council office of~~
 472 ~~petitions from at least 1,800 producers or 10 percent of~~
 473 ~~Florida's producers as determined by the department, whichever~~
 474 ~~is less, and stating "Shall the assessment authorized by the~~
 475 ~~Beef Market Development Act continue?" the council shall, within~~
 476 ~~90 days, conduct a referendum to determine whether a majority of~~
 477 ~~the producers voting in the referendum support the continuation~~
 478 ~~of the Beef Market Development Act. All signatures must be~~
 479 ~~collected within a 12-month period. A referendum held under this~~
 480 ~~subsection may not be held more than one time in a 3-year~~
 481 ~~period. Qualifications for signature and vote are the same as~~
 482 ~~those required in subsection (6).~~

483 (10) ~~(13)~~ BYLAWS.—The Florida Cattle Enhancement Board Beef
 484 Council shall, within 90 days after the governing board is
 485 appointed ~~this act becomes a law~~, adopt bylaws to carry out the
 486 intents and purposes of this section ~~act~~. The ~~These~~ bylaws may
 487 be amended with a 30-day notice to governing board members at
 488 any regular or special meeting called for such ~~this~~ purpose. The
 489 bylaws must conform to the requirements of this section ~~act~~ but
 490 may also address any matter not in conflict with the general
 491 laws of this state.

492 ~~(14) REPEAL.—This section is repealed October 1, 2019,~~
 493 ~~unless reviewed and saved from repeal by the Legislature.~~

494 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2015.