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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.; revising
4 provisions for the membership and organization of the
5 governing body of the authority; specifying the date
6 that the terms of certain members end; amending s.
7 348.754, F.S.; removing a requirement that the
8 authority obtain approval from the Secretary of
9 Transportation before extending or making additions or
10 improvements to the expressway system in Lake County;
11 amending s. 348.757, F.S.; removing a provision that
12 requires title to the former Orlando-Orange County
13 Expressway System be transferred to the state;
14 providing an effective date.

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

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18 Section 1. Subsection (3) and paragraph (a) of subsection
19 (4) of section 348.753, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

20 348.753 Central Florida Expressway Authority.—

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

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

48 (4) (a) The authority shall elect one of its members as
49 chair of the authority. The authority shall also elect one of
50 its members as vice chair, ~~one of its members as secretary,~~ and
51 one of its members as treasurer. The chair, vice chair,
52 ~~secretary,~~ and treasurer shall hold such offices at the will of

53 the authority. Five members of the authority constitute a
 54 quorum, and the vote of five members is necessary for any action
 55 taken by the authority. A vacancy in the authority does not
 56 impair the right of a quorum of the authority to exercise all of
 57 the rights and perform all of the duties of the authority.

58 Section 2. Paragraph (c) of subsection (1) of section
 59 348.754, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

60 348.754 Purposes and powers.—

61 (1)

62 ~~(c) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section to~~
 63 ~~the contrary, to ensure the continued financial feasibility of~~
 64 ~~the portion of the Wekiva Parkway to be constructed by the~~
 65 ~~department, the authority may not, without the prior consent of~~
 66 ~~the secretary of the department, construct any extensions,~~
 67 ~~additions, or improvements to the expressway system in Lake~~
 68 ~~County.~~

69 Section 3. Subsection (2) of section 348.757, Florida
 70 Statutes, is amended to read:

71 348.757 Lease-purchase agreement.—

72 (2) The lease-purchase agreement must provide for the
 73 leasing of the former Orlando-Orange County Expressway System,
 74 by the authority, as lessor, to the department, as lessee, and
 75 must prescribe the term of such lease and the rentals to be
 76 paid, ~~and must provide that upon the completion of the faithful~~
 77 ~~performance and the termination of the lease-purchase agreement,~~
 78 ~~title in fee simple absolute to the former Orlando-Orange County~~

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79 ~~Expressway System as then constituted shall be transferred in~~
80 ~~accordance with law by the authority, to the state and the~~
81 ~~authority shall deliver to the department such deeds and~~
82 ~~conveyances as shall be necessary or convenient to vest title in~~
83 ~~fee simple absolute in the state.~~

84 Section 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2016.