

1                                   A bill to be entitled  
 2           An act relating to Jackson County; amending chapter  
 3           61-2290, Laws of Florida, as amended; providing an  
 4           exception to general law; authorizing the Board of  
 5           Trustees of the Campbellton-Graceville Hospital  
 6           District and the Campbellton-Graceville Hospital  
 7           Corporation to enter into contracts and agreements for  
 8           the lease, lease with option, or sale of hospital and  
 9           district real and personal property; providing for the  
 10          dissolution of the district and the continued  
 11          existence and operations of the corporation; providing  
 12          an effective date.

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

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 16           Section 1. Sections 18, 19, 20, 21, and 22 are added to  
 17          chapter 61-2290, Laws of Florida, as amended, to read:

18           Section 18. The authority and power of the Campbellton-  
 19          Graceville Hospital District and the Board of County  
 20          Commissioners of Jackson County to assess, levy, or collect any  
 21          ad valorem property taxes for the uses of the hospital district  
 22          or hospital corporation is suspended and repealed, effective for  
 23          the calendar (tax) year beginning January 1, 2018. Without  
 24          limiting the foregoing, no real property ad valorem taxes may be

25 assessed or used for the purpose of consummating any sale of  
26 district or hospital corporation assets.

27 Section 19. The Board of Trustees of the Campbellton-  
28 Graceville Hospital Corporation and Hospital District shall have  
29 the authority to enter into and perform under contracts and  
30 agreements for the lease, long or short term, lease with option,  
31 or sale of hospital real and personal property, including the  
32 hospital and clinic buildings and lands, with corporations  
33 either for profit or not for profit, duly authorized to do  
34 business in the state. The following shall control, in lieu of  
35 any other provisions of state law, including, but not limited  
36 to, chapter 155, Florida Statutes:

37 (a) By resolution, the Board of Trustees of the  
38 Campbellton-Graceville Hospital Corporation may elect to enter  
39 into such contracts or agreements with regard to any or all of  
40 its assets, including real property, improvements, accounts  
41 receivable, choses in action, standing accounts and  
42 indebtedness, fixtures, equipment, and other chattels, if the  
43 Board of Trustees of the Hospital Corporation finds that such  
44 contracts or agreements are in the best interest of the  
45 residents of the hospital district. The terms and conditions of  
46 any such contract, agreement, or lease and the conditions,  
47 covenants, and agreements to be contained therein shall be  
48 mutually determined by the Board of Trustees of the Hospital  
49 Corporation and the contracting or purchasing or leasing

50 corporation. The Board of Trustees of the Campbellton-Graceville  
51 Hospital Corporation is expressly authorized, but not required,  
52 to enter into such contracts and agreements, with or without the  
53 requirement that the hospital buildings or properties continue  
54 to be used for general hospital or health care purposes.

55 (b) The authority of the board of trustees to enter into  
56 any past or future contracts for such leases, leases with  
57 options, or sales of any or all of the real or personal property  
58 of the district or of the corporation, including, but not  
59 limited to, agreements related to any portion of or all of the  
60 provisions of the Letter Of Intent of June 29, 2017, submitted  
61 by Northwest Florida Healthcare, Inc., is confirmed and  
62 ratified.

63 (c) The provisions of this act relating to the sale of  
64 district or hospital corporation assets or properties shall  
65 control in lieu of any provisions of chapter 155, Florida  
66 Statutes. Neither the district nor the hospital corporation  
67 shall be required to obtain the approval of any state agency or  
68 officer with respect to any such sale.

69 (d) Nothing in this act shall be deemed to limit the  
70 authority of any court having competent jurisdiction over the  
71 assets or business of the hospital corporation.

72 Section 20. In the event of a sale of the hospital  
73 building and real property, currently shown as Jackson County  
74 Property Tax ID Number 35-7N-13-0000-0070-0000 on the 2017

75 county property tax rolls, upon the consummation of the sale,  
76 the hospital district, but not the hospital corporation, shall  
77 expire and be dissolved at the end of the fiscal year during  
78 which the sale is consummated. In the event of such a sale, the  
79 following shall control and apply:

80 (a) All of the proceeds of the sale shall be used first  
81 for the costs of the transaction, second for the payment of  
82 debts of the hospital district or the hospital corporation which  
83 are secured by assets being sold, and third for the payment of  
84 other debts of the hospital district. After the payment of all  
85 of the debts of the hospital district, the remainder of any  
86 property and assets, both real and personal, tangible or  
87 intangible, including any choses in action, shall devolve to and  
88 be owned by the Campbellton-Graceville Hospital Corporation.

89 Section 21. In the event that no sale of the hospital  
90 building and real property, currently shown as Jackson County  
91 Property Tax ID Number 35-7N-13-0000-0070-0000 on the 2017  
92 county property tax rolls, is consummated on or before December  
93 31, 2019, then the hospital district, but not the hospital  
94 corporation, shall expire and be dissolved as of September 30,  
95 2020.

96 Section 22. In the event of any dissolution of the  
97 hospital district, whether under this act or otherwise under law  
98 or order of any court of competent jurisdiction, all real and  
99 personal property, including all tangible and intangible

100 property of any and all kinds, remaining owned by or in the  
101 possession of the hospital district shall be deemed owned by or  
102 transferred by operation of law to the Campbellton-Graceville  
103 Hospital Corporation, which shall continue in existence as set  
104 forth in this act, and all indebtedness of the district shall be  
105 and is assumed by the Campbellton-Graceville Hospital  
106 Corporation.

107 Section 2. Chapters 61-2290 and 86-455, Laws of Florida,  
108 are hereby expressly amended to provide for the foregoing,  
109 anything to the contrary in chapters 61-2290 and 86-455, Laws of  
110 Florida, being deemed repealed and of no further effect. The  
111 foregoing provisions related to the lease or sale of the  
112 hospital real or personal property shall control, in lieu of any  
113 provisions of chapter 155, Florida Statutes. The foregoing  
114 provisions related to the dissolution or expiration of the  
115 hospital district shall control in lieu of any provisions of  
116 chapter 189, Florida Statutes.

117 Section 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.