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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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The Committee on Community Affairs (Simmons) recommended the following:

**Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

Between lines 41 and 42

insert:

Section 1. Paragraph (f) of subsection (1) and subsections (7) and (8) of section 163.511, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

163.511 Special neighborhood improvement districts; creation; referendum; board of directors; duration; extension.—

(1) After a local planning ordinance has been adopted



11 authorizing the creation of special neighborhood improvement  
12 districts, the governing body of a municipality or county may  
13 declare the need for and create special residential or business  
14 neighborhood improvement districts by the enactment of a  
15 separate ordinance for each district, which ordinance:

16 (f) Provides for the appointment of a three-, five-, or  
17 seven-member ~~3-member~~ board of directors for the district.

18 (7) The business and affairs of a special neighborhood  
19 improvement district shall be conducted and administered by a  
20 board of three, five, or seven directors who must ~~shall~~ be  
21 landowners in ~~residents of~~ the proposed area and who are subject  
22 to ad valorem taxation in the district. Upon their appointment  
23 and qualification and in January of each year, the directors  
24 shall organize by electing from their number a chair and a  
25 secretary, and may also employ staff and legal representatives  
26 as deemed appropriate, who shall serve at the pleasure of the  
27 board and may receive such compensation as shall be fixed by the  
28 board. The secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of  
29 the district and shall be custodian of all books and records of  
30 the district. The directors shall not receive any compensation  
31 for their services, nor may they be employed by the district.

32 (8) Within 30 days of the approval of the creation of a  
33 special neighborhood improvement district, if the district is in  
34 a municipality, a majority of the governing body of the  
35 municipality, or if the district is in the unincorporated area  
36 of the county, a majority of the county commission, shall  
37 appoint the ~~three~~ three directors provided for herein, the number of  
38 which must be specified in the local planning ordinance, which  
39 must also provide for staggered terms ~~of 3 years. The initial~~



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40 ~~appointments shall be as follows: one for a 1-year term, one for~~  
41 ~~a 2-year term, and one for a 3-year term.~~ Each director shall  
42 hold office until his or her successor is appointed and  
43 qualified unless the director ceases to be qualified to act as a  
44 director or is removed from office. Vacancies on the board shall  
45 be filled for the unexpired portion of a term in the same manner  
46 as the initial appointments were made.

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48 ===== T I T L E   A M E N D M E N T =====

49 And the title is amended as follows:

50       Delete lines 2 - 3

51 and insert:

52       An act relating to neighborhood improvement districts;  
53       amending s. 163.511, F.S.; increasing the maximum  
54       number of directors allowed for boards of special  
55       neighborhood improvement districts; deleting a  
56       provision requiring directors to serve for 3 years;  
57       requiring local planning ordinances to specify the  
58       number of directors and their term lengths and to  
59       provide for staggered terms; deleting a provision  
60       relating to term length for initial director  
61       appointments; creating s. 163.5161, F.S.; creating the