

By Senator Hutson

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to the budgets of county
3 constitutional officers; amending s. 129.03, F.S.;
4 including property appraisers to the list of county
5 constitutional officers who must submit a tentative
6 budget to the board of county commissioners; providing
7 criteria for submission of tentative and final budgets
8 by county constitutional officers; requiring the
9 tentative budget of a county constitutional officer to
10 be separately identified from the tentative budget of
11 the county as a whole when posted to the county's
12 website; providing 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. Subsection (2) of section 129.03, Florida
17 Statutes, is amended to read:

18 129.03 Preparation and adoption of budget.—

19 (2) On or before June 1 of each year, the sheriff, the
20 property appraiser, the clerk of the circuit court and county
21 comptroller, the tax collector subject to a resolution entered
22 into pursuant to s. 145.022(1), and the supervisor of elections
23 shall each submit to the board of county commissioners a
24 tentative budget for their respective offices for the ensuing
25 fiscal year. However, the board of county commissioners may, by
26 resolution, require the tentative budgets to be submitted by May
27 1 of each year. Each officer's tentative and final budget must
28 be detailed, and must provide a separate line item for proposed
29 expenditures for each program, division, or unit within the

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30 office, and must include an identification of existing and
31 proposed reserves. The tentative budget must be posted on the
32 county's official website at least 2 days before the public
33 hearing and must be identified separately from the tentative
34 budget of the county as a whole to clearly demarcate the
35 constitutional officers' budgets.

36 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2019.