

By Senator Baxley

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to special districts; amending s.
3 189.069, F.S.; revising the list of items required to
4 be included on the websites of special districts;
5 providing an effective date.
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7 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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9 Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section
10 189.069, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

11 189.069 Special districts; required reporting of
12 information; web-based public access.—

13 (2)(a) A special district shall post the following
14 information, at a minimum, on the district's official website:

15 1. The full legal name of the special district.

16 2. The public purpose of the special district.

17 3. The name, official address, official e-mail address,
18 and, if applicable, term and appointing authority for each
19 member of the governing body of the special district.

20 4. The fiscal year of the special district.

21 5. The full text of the special district's charter, the
22 date of establishment, the establishing entity, and the statute
23 or statutes under which the special district operates, if
24 different from the statute or statutes under which the special
25 district was established. Community development districts may
26 reference chapter 190 as the uniform charter but must include
27 information relating to any grant of special powers.

28 6. The mailing address, e-mail address, telephone number,
29 and website uniform resource locator of the special district.

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30 7. A description of the boundaries or service area of, and
31 the services provided by, the special district.

32 8. A listing of all taxes, fees, assessments, or charges
33 imposed and collected by the special district, including the
34 rates or amounts for the fiscal year and the statutory authority
35 for the levy of the tax, fee, assessment, or charge. For
36 purposes of this subparagraph, charges do not include patient
37 charges by a hospital or other health care provider.

38 9. The primary contact information for the special district
39 for purposes of communication from the department.

40 10. A code of ethics adopted by the special district, if
41 applicable, and a hyperlink to generally applicable ethics
42 provisions.

43 11. The budget of the special district and any amendments
44 thereto in accordance with s. 189.016.

45 12. The final, complete audit report for the most recent
46 completed fiscal year and audit reports required by law or
47 authorized by the governing body of the special district. If the
48 special district has submitted its most recent final, complete
49 audit report to the Auditor General, this requirement may be
50 satisfied by providing a link to the audit report on the Auditor
51 General's website.

52 13. A listing of its regularly scheduled public meetings as
53 required by s. 189.015(1).

54 ~~14. The public facilities report, if applicable.~~

55 ~~15.~~ The link to the Department of Financial Services'
56 website as set forth in s. 218.32(1)(g).

57 ~~15.16.~~ At least 7 days before each meeting or workshop, the
58 agenda of the event, ~~along with any meeting materials available~~

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59 ~~in an electronic format, excluding confidential and exempt~~
60 ~~information.~~ The information must remain on the website for at
61 least 1 year after the event.

62 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2020.