

Amendment No.

COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE ACTION

ADOPTED	_____	(Y/N)
ADOPTED AS AMENDED	_____	(Y/N)
ADOPTED W/O OBJECTION	_____	(Y/N)
FAILED TO ADOPT	_____	(Y/N)
WITHDRAWN	_____	(Y/N)
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1 Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: State Affairs Committee
 2 Representative Giallombardo offered the following:

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Remove lines 30-117 and insert:

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 6 ~~31, 1976,~~ The Governor shall appoint four ~~not fewer than five~~
 7 persons from Collier County and one person from Lee County who
 8 reside within the Big Cypress Basin ~~residing in the area to~~
 9 serve as members of the governing board of the basin, ~~effective~~
 10 ~~at the time of transfer and~~ subject to confirmation by the
 11 Senate as provided in subsection (4).

12 (a) The initial boundaries of the Big Cypress Basin shall
 13 be established by resolution of the governing board of Central
 14 and Southern Florida Flood Control District, after notice and
 15 hearing, and generally shall encompass the Big Cypress Swamp and
 16 southwestern coastal area hydrologic cataloging unit, as

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17 indicated on River Basin and Hydrologic Unit Map of Florida—
18 1975, Florida Department of Natural Resources, Bureau of Geology
19 Map Series No. 72.

20 (b) At 11:59 p.m. on July 1, 2022, the governing board of
21 the South Florida Water Management District shall establish the
22 boundary of the Big Cypress Basin as the scientific boundary
23 recommended in the Big Cypress Basin Boundary Delineation study
24 that the district presented to the Legislature on January 12,
25 2021, except that the new basin boundary may include only
26 counties that have at least 25 percent of their jurisdiction
27 delineated within the boundary ~~If the governing board shall fail~~
28 ~~to establish the initial boundaries on or before December 31,~~
29 ~~1976, the initial boundaries shall be the same boundaries as~~
30 ~~described for the Big Cypress Basin of the Ridge and Lower Gulf~~
31 ~~Coast District.~~

32 ~~(e)~~ The governing board of the South Florida Water
33 Management District subsequently may change the boundaries of
34 the basin, but may not abolish the basin.

35 Section 2. Paragraph (b) of subsection (3) of section
36 373.503, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

37 373.503 Manner of taxation.—

38 (3) The districts may levy ad valorem taxes on property
39 within the district solely for the purposes of this chapter and
40 of chapter 25270, 1949, Laws of Florida, as amended, and chapter
41 61-691, Laws of Florida, as amended. If appropriate, taxes

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42 levied by each governing board may be separated by the governing
43 board into a millage necessary for the purposes of the district
44 and a millage necessary for financing basin functions specified
45 in s. 373.0695.

46 (b) ~~The apportionment in~~ The South Florida Water
47 Management District shall ensure that:

48 1. The apportionment within the district is ~~be~~ a maximum
49 of 40 percent for district purposes and a maximum of 60 percent
50 for basin purposes; and

51 2. The basin ad valorem taxes levied within the counties
52 that comprise the Big Cypress Basin are used for projects and
53 flood control operations and maintenance within the counties in
54 which they were collected, ~~respectively.~~

55 Section 3. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment
56 made by this act to section 373.503, Florida Statutes, in a
57 reference thereto, section 373.0697, Florida Statutes, is
58 reenacted to read:

59 373.0697 Basin taxes.—The respective basins may, pursuant
60 to s. 9(b), Art. VII of the State Constitution, by resolution
61 request the governing board of the district to levy ad valorem
62 taxes within such basin. Upon receipt of such request, a basin
63 tax levy shall be made by the governing board of the district to
64 finance basin functions enumerated in s. 373.0695,
65 notwithstanding the provisions of any other general or special
66 law to the contrary, and subject to the provisions of s.

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67 373.503(3).

68 (1) The amount of money to be raised by said tax levy
69 shall be determined by the adoption of an annual budget by the
70 district board of governors, and the average millage for the
71 basin shall be that amount required to raise the amount called
72 for by the annual budget when applied to the total assessment of
73 the basin as determined for county taxing purposes. However, no
74 such tax shall be levied within the basin unless and until the
75 annual budget and required tax levy shall have been approved by
76 formal action of the basin board, and no county in the district
77 shall be taxed under this provision at a rate to exceed 1 mill.

78 (2) The taxes provided for in this section shall be
79 extended by the county property appraiser on the county tax roll
80 in each county within, or partly within, the basin and shall be
81 collected by the tax collector in the same manner and time as
82 county taxes, and the proceeds therefrom paid to the district
83 for basin purposes. Said taxes shall be a lien, until paid, on
84 the property against which assessed and enforceable in like
85 manner as county taxes. The property appraisers, tax collectors,
86 and clerks of the circuit court of the respective counties shall
87 be entitled to compensation for services performed in connection
88 with such taxes at the same rates as apply to county taxes.

89 (3) It is hereby determined that the taxes authorized by
90 this subsection are in proportion to the benefits to be derived
91 by the several parcels of real estate within the basin from the

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92 | works authorized herein.

93 | Section 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2022.