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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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Senator Hutson moved the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete lines 92 - 124

and insert:

district, a supervisor must be an eligible voter who resides in
the district and who:

1. Is actively engaged in, or retired after 10 years of
being engaged in, agriculture as defined in s. 570.02;

2. Is employed by an agricultural producer; or

3. Owns, leases, or is actively employed on land classified
as agricultural under s. 193.461.



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12 (b) At the time of qualifying, a candidate for supervisor
13 shall submit an affirmation in substantially the following form:

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15 State of Florida
16 County of

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18 Statement of Candidate for Supervisor of Soil and Water
19 Conservation District

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21 I, ...(Name of candidate)..., a candidate for Supervisor of
22 Soil and Water Conservation District, meet the qualifications
23 pursuant to s. 582.19(1), Florida Statutes, to serve on the
24 governing body of the Soil and Water Conservation District.

25 ...(Signature of candidate)...
26 ...(Address)...

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28 Sworn to and subscribed before me this day of
29, ...(year)...., at County, Florida.

30 Section 4. Section 582.195, Florida Statutes, is created to
31 read:

32 582.195 Mandatory meeting of supervisors.—All five
33 supervisors of the governing body of each district shall meet at
34 least once per calendar year in a public meeting pursuant to s.
35 286.011.

36 Section 5. Section 582.295, Florida Statutes, is created to
37 read:

38 582.295 Automatic dissolution of districts.—

39 (1) If the governing body of a district fails to meet as
40 required under s. 582.195, the district shall be automatically



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41 dissolved as of January 1 of the year immediately following the
42 year in which the governing body failed to meet. All assets and
43 liabilities of the district shall be transferred to the
44 Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.

45 (2) Sections 189.076, 582.30, 582.31, and 582.32 do not
46 apply to dissolution of a district under this section.

47 Section 6. The Department of Economic Opportunity declared
48 the Baker Soil and Water Conservation District inactive on
49 August 3, 2020, and the Martin Soil and Water Conservation
50 District inactive on March 17, 2020; therefore, the districts
51 are hereby dissolved and all assets and liabilities of the
52 districts are transferred to the Department of Agriculture and
53 Consumer Services.

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56 And the title is amended as follows:

57 Delete line 17

58 and insert:

59 at the time of qualifying; creating s. 582.195, F.S.;

60 requiring mandatory public meetings at least annually

61 for the supervisors of soil and water conservation

62 districts; creating s. 582.295, F.S.; providing for

63 the automatic dissolution of soil and water

64 conservation districts under certain conditions;

65 providing for the transfer of the assets and

66 liabilities of such districts to the department;

67 exempting automatic dissolutions from specified

68 provisions; dissolving the Baker Soil and Water

69 Conservation District and the Martin Soil and Water



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Conservation District; transferring the assets and
liabilities of those districts to the department;
requiring all supervisors