

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to North Springs Improvement District,
 3 Broward County; amending ch. 2005-341, Laws of
 4 Florida, as amended; revising the number of board
 5 members; deleting a provision relating to residence of
 6 board members; requiring board of supervisors be
 7 elected by qualified electors of the district;
 8 revising referendum requirements; providing effective
 9 dates.

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 11 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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 13 Section 1. Subsection (1), paragraph (a) of subsection
 14 (9), and subsection (10) of section 5 of section 3 of chapter
 15 2005-341, Laws of Florida, as amended by chapters 2007-285 and
 16 2021-256, Laws of Florida, are amended to read:

17 Section 5. Board; election; organization; terms of office;
 18 quorum; report and minutes.—

19 (1) The board of the district shall be the governing body
 20 of the district and shall exercise the powers granted to the
 21 district under this act and under chapter 298, Florida Statutes.
 22 The board shall consist of three ~~five~~ members and, except as
 23 otherwise provided herein, each member shall hold office for a
 24 term of 4 years and until his or her successor shall be chosen
 25 and shall qualify. ~~A majority of the members of the board shall~~

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26 ~~be residents of Broward County, and all members shall be~~
27 ~~residents of the state.~~ All members of the board shall be
28 residents of the district.

29 (9) (a) Pursuant to the transition schedule in subsection
30 (10) and notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary,
31 the board shall be elected solely by the qualified electors of
32 the district. The board shall call an election at which the
33 members of the board of supervisors will be elected. Such
34 election shall be held in conjunction with the next general
35 election in November. Candidates may qualify for the offices of
36 board of supervisors seat 1, seat 2, and seat 3, each elected at
37 large within the district. A candidate qualifying for election
38 to seat 1 must be an elector and resident of the City of
39 Parkland. A candidate qualifying for election to seat 2 must be
40 an elector and resident of the City of Coral Springs. A
41 candidate qualifying for election to seat 3 must be an elector
42 and resident of the district. ~~Beginning in 2030, candidates may~~
43 ~~qualify for the offices of board of supervisors seat 4 and seat~~
44 ~~5, each elected at large within the district. A candidate~~
45 ~~qualifying for election to seat 4 or seat 5 must be an elector~~
46 ~~and resident of the district.~~ Each board member shall be elected
47 by the qualified electors of the district for a term of 4 years,
48 except as otherwise provided by law. The candidate receiving the
49 most votes for each seat shall be elected.

50 (10) (a) Effective June 1, 2026, the board of supervisors

51 seat 3 shall be elected by a majority vote of the qualified
 52 electors of the district for a 4-year term during the next
 53 general election.

54 (b) Effective June 1, 2028, the board of supervisors seat
 55 2 shall be elected by a majority vote of the qualified electors
 56 of the district for a 4-year term during the next general
 57 election.

58 (c) Effective November 5, 2030, ÷

59 ~~1.~~ the board of supervisors seat 1 shall be elected by a
 60 majority vote of the qualified electors of the district for a 4-
 61 year term during the next general election.

62 ~~2. The board of supervisors seat 4 shall be elected by a~~
 63 ~~majority vote of the qualified electors of the district for a 2-~~
 64 ~~year term. Thereafter, all terms shall be for a period of 4~~
 65 ~~years.~~

66 ~~3. The board of supervisors seat 5 shall be elected by a~~
 67 ~~majority vote of the qualified electors of the district for a 4-~~
 68 ~~year term.~~

69 Section 2. Section 3 of chapter 2021-256, Laws of Florida,
 70 is amended to read:

71 Section 3. Referendum election.-

72 (1) The referendum election called for by this act shall
 73 be held on November 5, 2024, the 2024 General Election.

74 (2) The ballot title for the referendum question shall be
 75 in substantially the following form:

76 AMENDING DISTRICT CHARTER PROVIDING FOR ELECTION OF DISTRICT
 77 SUPERVISORS BY MAJORITY OF ALL QUALIFIED ELECTORS

78 (3) The referendum question shall be placed on the ballot
 79 in substantially the following form:

80 Shall Chapter 2021-256 ~~2021-....~~, Laws of Florida, as amended
 81 by Chapter 2022-...., Laws of Florida, amending the North
 82 Springs Improvement District Charter, providing that the
 83 members of the District Board of Supervisors shall be elected
 84 by majority vote of all qualified electors of the district
 85 instead of just landowners for four year terms, with
 86 staggered elections every two years beginning in November
 87 2026, ~~with two additional seats elected in 2030,~~ become
 88 effective?

89 (.....) YES.

90 (.....) NO.

91 (4) In the event this question is answered affirmatively
 92 by a majority of the qualified voters voting in the referendum,
 93 the charter amendment will take effect. The referendum election
 94 shall be conducted by the Supervisor of Elections of Broward
 95 County in accordance with the Florida Election Code.

96 Section 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law,
 97 except that section 1 shall take effect upon approval by a
 98 majority vote of the qualified electors of the North Springs
 99 Improvement District voting in a referendum.