

HB 1203

2015

1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to the Cedar Hammock Fire Control
3 District, Manatee County; amending chapter 2000-391,
4 Laws of Florida, as amended; revising boundaries;
5 providing for a five-member board; removing obsolete
6 provisions; providing for ad valorem assessments, non-
7 ad valorem assessments, and impact fees; deleting
8 schedule of non-ad valorem assessments; providing for
9 local preference in competitive bids; amending chapter
10 93-352, Laws of Florida, as amended; removing a
11 reference to the district; providing an effective
12 date.

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

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16 Section 1. Section 3 of chapter 2000-391, Laws of Florida,
17 as amended by chapters 2005-297 and 2007-283, Laws of Florida,
18 is amended to read:

19 Section 1. Incorporation.—All of the unincorporated lands
20 in Manatee County, as described in this act, shall be
21 incorporated into an independent special fire control district.
22 Said special fire control district shall be a public municipal
23 corporation under the name of Cedar Hammock Fire Control
24 District. The district is organized and exists for all purposes
25 set forth in this act and chapters 189 and 191, Florida
26 Statutes. The district was created by special act in 1957 and

27 its charter may be amended only by special act of the
 28 Legislature.

29 Section 2. Jurisdiction.—The lands to be incorporated
 30 within the Cedar Hammock Fire Control District are located in
 31 Manatee County, Florida, and are described as follows:

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 33 BEGIN AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SECTION 2, TOWNSHIP
 34 35 SOUTH, RANGE 17 EAST; THENCE SOUTH ALONG THE EAST
 35 LINES OF SECTIONS 2, 11, 14, AND 23, TOWNSHIP 35
 36 SOUTH, RANGE 17 EAST TO A POINT ON THE CENTERLINE OF
 37 BOWLEES CREEK; THENCE WESTERLY ALONG SAID CENTERLINE
 38 TO THE SHORELINE OF SARASOTA BAY; THENCE MEANDERING
 39 SAID SHORELINE IN A WESTERLY AND NORTHWESTERLY
 40 DIRECTION TO A POINT WHERE THE SHORELINE INTERSECTS
 41 THE WEST LINE OF RANGE 17 EAST; THENCE NORTH ALONG THE
 42 WEST LINE OF SAID RANGE 17 EAST TO THE SHORELINE OF
 43 PALMA SOLA BAY; THENCE MEANDER SAID SHORELINE IN A
 44 NORTHEASTERLY, NORTHERLY AND NORTHWESTERLY DIRECTION
 45 TO A POINT WHERE THE SHORELINE INTERSECTS THE SOUTH
 46 LINE OF TOWNSHIP 34 SOUTH; THENCE EAST ALONG THE SOUTH
 47 LINE OF SAID TOWNSHIP 34 SOUTH TO THE POINT OF
 48 BEGINNING.

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 52 THOSE LANDS ANNEXED BY THE CITY OF BRADENTON AFTER

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ADOPTION OF CHAPTER 57-1546, LAWS OF FLORIDA.

LESS:

THE LANDS WITHIN TRAILER ESTATES, RECORDED IN PLAT
BOOK 8 AT PAGE 138, FIRST ADDITION TO TRAILER ESTATES,
RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 9 AT PAGE 71, AND SECOND
ADDITION TO TRAILER ESTATES, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 9
AT PAGE 61, ALL IN THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF MANATEE
COUNTY, FLORIDA.

TOGETHER WITH:

BLOCK B, TRAILER ESTATES, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 8 AT
PAGE 138, PUBLIC RECORDS OF MANATEE COUNTY, FLORIDA.

TOGETHER WITH:

THAT PART OF SECTIONS 23 AND 26, TOWNSHIP 35 SOUTH,
RANGE 17 EAST LYING SOUTH OF BOWLEES CREEK; THE WEST
HALF OF SECTION 25, TOWNSHIP 35 SOUTH, RANGE 17 EAST,
ALL OF SECTION 35, TOWNSHIP 35 SOUTH, RANGE 17 EAST,
AND THE WEST HALF OF SECTION 36, TOWNSHIP 35 SOUTH,
RANGE 17 EAST, LESS ANY LANDS OWNED BY THE SARASOTA
MANATEE AIRPORT AUTHORITY LOCATED EASTERLY OR
SOUTHERLY OF THE PERIMETER FENCE OF THE AIR OPERATIONS

79 AREA OF THE SARASOTA BRADENTON INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT
 80 AS DESIGNATED ON THE FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION
 81 (FAA) APPROVED AIRPORT LAYOUT PLAN, AS AMENDED FROM
 82 TIME TO TIME, PURSUANT TO 49 U.S. CODE SS.
 83 47107 (A) (16) .

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 85 ~~Begin at SE corner of Section 35, Township 34, Range~~
 86 ~~17 East, thence South to the SE corner of the center~~
 87 ~~line of Bowlees Creek, that point being located in~~
 88 ~~Section 23, Township 34, Range 17 East; Thence~~
 89 ~~Westerly along the center line of said Bowlees Creek~~
 90 ~~to the waters of Sarasota Bay;~~

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 92 ~~Less and excepting all the lands within Trailer~~
 93 ~~Estates Subdivisions, as shown in Plat Book 8, Pages~~
 94 ~~138, 139, 140, and 141, and in Plat Book 9, Page 61, of~~
 95 ~~the Public Records of Manatee County, Florida.~~

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 97 ~~Thence meander the shore line of Sarasota Bay in a~~
 98 ~~Westerly and Northwesterly direction to point where~~
 99 ~~said shore line intersects the West line of Section 7,~~
 100 ~~Township 35, Range 17 East, thence North along said~~
 101 ~~section line to intersection of said section line with~~
 102 ~~Cortez Road (State Road 684), thence continue North to~~
 103 ~~the waters of Palma Sola Bay, meander the shore of~~
 104 ~~Palma Sola Bay in an easterly, Northeasterly,~~

105 ~~Northwesterly, and Northerly direction to point where~~
 106 ~~shore line intersects the South line of Section 31,~~
 107 ~~Township 34, Range 17 East, thence East along South~~
 108 ~~line of Section 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, Township 34, Range~~
 109 ~~17 East to Point of Beginning, less those lands~~
 110 ~~annexed by the City of Bradenton after the adoption of~~
 111 ~~Chapter 57-1546, Laws of Florida.~~

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 113 ~~Together with Block B, Trailer Estates recorded in~~
 114 ~~Plat Book 8, Page 141 of the Public Records of Manatee~~
 115 ~~County, Florida.~~

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 117 ~~Together with all of Section 23 South of Bowles Creek,~~
 118 ~~the West 1/2 of Section 25, Township 35 South, Range~~
 119 ~~17 East, all of Section 26 South of Bowles Creek, and~~
 120 ~~all of Sections 35 and 36, Township 35 South, Range 17~~
 121 ~~East less any and all land owned by Sarasota Manatee~~
 122 ~~County Joint Airport Authority.~~

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 124 Section 3. Merger; district authority.—The Whitfield Fire
 125 Control District, created pursuant to chapter 67-914, Laws of
 126 Florida, as amended, was ~~is~~ merged into the Cedar Hammock Fire
 127 Control District pursuant to chapter 2007-283, Laws of Florida.
 128 The Cedar Hammock Fire Control District is granted the authority
 129 to provide fire control and emergency medical services; levy and
 130 collect taxes, assessments, and fees; and administer fire rescue

131 programs and services within the district's amended boundary
 132 pursuant to chapter 2000-391, Laws of Florida, chapter 191,
 133 Florida Statutes, and applicable laws and as approved by
 134 district electors on September 5, 2006.

135 Section 4. Governing board.—

136 ~~(1) Upon the effective date of this act, the business and~~
 137 ~~affairs of the district shall be conducted and administered by a~~
 138 ~~seven-member board of fire commissioners consisting of the five~~
 139 ~~elected fire commissioners of the Cedar Hammock Fire Control~~
 140 ~~District and the elected commissioners from seats 2 and 5 of the~~
 141 ~~Whitfield Fire Control District. The term of these seven seats~~
 142 ~~shall expire upon the election of the new board of fire~~
 143 ~~commissioners on November 4, 2008, pursuant to subsection (2).~~

144 (1) ~~(2)~~ Effective November 4, 2008, In accordance with
 145 chapter 191, Florida Statutes, the business and affairs of the
 146 district shall be conducted and administered by a five-member
 147 board of fire commissioners elected pursuant to chapter 191,
 148 Florida Statutes, by the electors of the district in a
 149 nonpartisan election held at the time and in the manner
 150 prescribed for holding general elections in s. section
 151 189.405(2)(a), Florida Statutes. Each member of the board shall
 152 be elected for a term of 4 years and shall serve until his or
 153 her successor assumes office, ~~except that the initial term for~~
 154 ~~seats 2 and 4 shall be 2 years, with all subsequent terms being~~
 155 ~~4 years.~~

156 (2) ~~(3)~~ The office of each board member is designated as a

157 seat on the board, distinguished from each of the other seats by
158 a numeral: 1, 2, 3, 4, or 5. Each candidate must designate, at
159 the time he or she qualifies, the seat on the board for which he
160 or she is qualifying. The name of each candidate who qualifies
161 shall be included on the ballot in a way that clearly indicates
162 the seat for which he or she is a candidate. The candidate for
163 each seat who receives the most votes shall be elected to the
164 board.

165 (3)~~(4)~~ In accordance with chapter 191, Florida Statutes,
166 each member of the board must be a qualified elector at the time
167 he or she qualifies and continually throughout his or her term.

168 (4)~~(5)~~ Each elected member shall assume office 10 days
169 following the member's election. Annually, within 60 days after
170 the newly elected members have taken office, the board shall
171 organize by electing from its members a chair, a vice chair, a
172 secretary, and a treasurer. The positions of secretary and
173 treasurer may be held by one member.

174 (5)~~(6)~~ Members of the board may each be paid a salary or
175 honorarium to be determined by at least a majority plus one vote
176 of the board, pursuant to chapter 191, Florida Statutes.

177 (6)~~(7)~~ If a vacancy occurs on the board due to the
178 resignation, death, or removal of a board member or the failure
179 of anyone to qualify for a board seat, the remaining members may
180 appoint a qualified person to fill the seat until the next
181 general election, at which time an election shall be held to
182 fill the vacancy for the remaining term, if any.

183 (7)~~(8)~~ The procedures for conducting district elections or
 184 referenda and for qualification of electors shall be pursuant to
 185 chapters 189 and 191, Florida Statutes.

186 (8)~~(9)~~ The board shall have those administrative duties
 187 set forth in this act and chapters 189 and 191, Florida
 188 Statutes, ~~as they may be amended from time to time.~~

189 Section 5. Ad valorem taxation.—The board shall continue
 190 to have the right, power, and authority to levy annually an ad
 191 valorem tax against the taxable real estate within the district
 192 to provide funds for the purposes of the district in an amount
 193 not to exceed 3.75 mills, as approved by district electors by
 194 referendum in September 2002 and September 2006. The district
 195 shall levy and collect ad valorem taxes in accordance with
 196 applicable general law, including chapter 200, Florida Statutes.

197 Section 6.5. Authority to levy non-ad valorem
 198 assessments.—Said district shall have the right, power, and
 199 authority to levy non-ad valorem assessments as defined in s.
 200 ~~section~~ 197.3632, Florida Statutes, against the taxable real
 201 estate lying within its territorial bounds in order to provide
 202 funds for the purpose of the district. The rate of such
 203 assessments shall be fixed annually by a resolution of the board
 204 of commissioners after the conduct of a public hearing. Such
 205 non-ad valorem assessments may be imposed, collected, and
 206 enforced pursuant to the provisions of ss. ~~sections~~ 197.363-
 207 197.3635, Florida Statutes.

208 Section 7. Non-ad valorem assessments.—The non-ad valorem

209 assessment rates that the district currently charges are hereby
210 confirmed and ratified. In accordance with s. 191.009, Florida
211 Statutes, the district shall continue to have the right, power,
212 and authority to levy non-ad valorem assessments as defined in
213 s. 197.3632, Florida Statutes, against the taxable real estate
214 lying within its territorial bounds in order to provide funds
215 for the purpose of the district. Non-ad valorem assessments
216 shall be imposed, collected, and enforced pursuant to s.
217 191.011, Florida Statutes. The rate of such assessments shall be
218 fixed annually by a resolution of the board of commissioners
219 after conducting a public hearing. Notwithstanding the
220 foregoing, the board may amend its assessment rates in
221 accordance with s. 191.009, Florida Statutes.

222 ~~Section 6. Schedule of non-ad valorem assessments. The~~
223 ~~assessment procedures and amounts, as set forth herein,~~
224 ~~represent the manner to be followed and the maximum allowable~~
225 ~~rates that may be charged by the district. For assessment~~
226 ~~purposes, all property within the district shall be divided into~~
227 ~~three general classifications: vacant parcels, residential~~
228 ~~parcels, and commercial/industrial parcels.~~

229 ~~(1) Vacant parcels shall include all parcels that are~~
230 ~~essentially undeveloped and are usually classified by the~~
231 ~~property appraiser as use code types 0000, 1000, 4000, 9900, and~~
232 ~~5000 through 6900. The maximum annual assessment for these~~
233 ~~parcels shall be:~~

234 ~~(a) Vacant platted lot (use code 0000), \$6 per lot.~~

235 ~~(b) Unsubdivided acreage (use codes 5000 through 6900 and~~
 236 ~~9900), \$6 per acre or fraction thereof, except that not more~~
 237 ~~than \$2,000 shall be assessed against any one parcel.~~

238 ~~(c) Vacant commercial and industrial (use codes 1000 and~~
 239 ~~4000) shall be assessed as a platted lot or unsubdivided~~
 240 ~~acreage, as applicable.~~

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 242 ~~Whenever a residential unit is located on a parcel defined~~
 243 ~~herein as vacant, the residential plot shall be considered as~~
 244 ~~one lot or one acre, with the balance of the parcel being~~
 245 ~~assessed as vacant land in accordance with the schedule herein.~~
 246 ~~Whenever an agricultural or commercial building or structure is~~
 247 ~~located on a parcel defined herein as vacant, the building or~~
 248 ~~structure shall be assessed in accordance with the schedule of~~
 249 ~~commercial/industrial assessments.~~

250 ~~(2) Residential parcels shall include all parcels that are~~
 251 ~~developed for residential purposes and are usually classified by~~
 252 ~~the property appraiser as use code types 0100 through 0800 and~~
 253 ~~2800. All residential parcels shall be assessed by the number~~
 254 ~~and size of dwelling units per parcel. Surcharges may be~~
 255 ~~assigned by the district for dwelling units located on the third~~
 256 ~~or higher floors. The maximum annual assessment for these~~
 257 ~~parcels shall be:~~

258 ~~(a) Single family residential (use code 0100) shall be~~
 259 ~~assessed on a square footage basis for all dwelling units in~~
 260 ~~accordance with the following. The base assessment for all~~

261 ~~dwellings shall be \$85 for the first 1,000 square feet in the~~
262 ~~dwelling unit. All square footage above 1,000 square feet shall~~
263 ~~be charged at a rate of \$0.00 per square foot.~~

264 ~~(b) Condominia residential (use code 0400) shall be~~
265 ~~assessed as follows:~~

266 ~~(i) Units located on the first, second, and third floors,~~
267 ~~\$85 per dwelling unit;~~

268 ~~(ii) Units located on the fourth and fifth floors, \$109~~
269 ~~per dwelling unit;~~

270 ~~(iii) Units located on a floor above a fifth floor, \$117~~
271 ~~per dwelling unit.~~

272 ~~(c) Mobile homes (use code 0200) shall be assessed \$85 per~~
273 ~~dwelling unit.~~

274 ~~(d) Multifamily residential (use codes 0300 and 0800),~~
275 ~~cooperatives (use code 0500), retirement homes (use code 0600),~~
276 ~~and miscellaneous residential uses (use code 0700) shall be~~
277 ~~assessed as follows:~~

278 ~~(i) Units located on the first, second, and third floors,~~
279 ~~\$85 per dwelling unit;~~

280 ~~(ii) Units located on the fourth and fifth floors, \$109~~
281 ~~per dwelling unit;~~

282 ~~(iii) Units located on a floor above a fifth floor, \$117~~
283 ~~per dwelling unit.~~

284 ~~(e) Any other residential unit, including, but not limited~~
285 ~~to, the residential portions of mixed uses (use code 1200) and~~
286 ~~mobile home or travel trailer parks (use code 2800), shall be~~

287 ~~assessed \$85 per dwelling unit or available rental space, as~~
 288 ~~applicable.~~

289 ~~(3) Commercial/industrial parcels shall include all other~~
 290 ~~developed parcels that are not included in the residential~~
 291 ~~category as defined above. All commercial/industrial parcels~~
 292 ~~shall be assessed on a square footage basis for all buildings~~
 293 ~~and structures in accordance with the following schedule and~~
 294 ~~hazard classification. The district may or may not vary the~~
 295 ~~assessment by hazard classifications as set forth herein. The~~
 296 ~~base assessment for all buildings and structures shall be \$150~~
 297 ~~for the first 1,000 square feet on a parcel. The schedule for~~
 298 ~~all square footage above 1,000 square feet is as follows. The~~
 299 ~~district may grant an improved hazard rating to all or part of~~
 300 ~~the buildings and structures if they are equipped with complete~~
 301 ~~internal fire suppression facilities.~~

Category	Use Codes	Square Foot Assessment
Mercantile (M)	1100, 1200, 1300, 1400, 1500, 1600, and 2900	\$0.050 per sq. ft.
Business (B)	1700, 1800, 1900, 2200, 2300, 2400, 2500, 2600, 3000, and 3600	\$0.078 per sq. ft.

304 ~~Assembly (A) 2100, 3100, 3200, \$0.061 per sq. ft.~~
~~3300, 3400, 3500,~~
~~3700, 3800, 3900,~~
~~7200, 7600, 7700,~~
~~and 7900~~

305 ~~Factory/ 4100, 4400, 4500, \$0.023 per sq. ft.~~
~~Industrial (F) 4600, 4700, and~~
~~9100~~

306 ~~Storage (S) 2000, 2700, 2800, \$0.076 per sq. ft.~~
~~and 4900~~

307 ~~Hazardous (H) 4200, 4300, and \$0.102 per sq. ft.~~
~~4800~~

308 ~~Institutional (I) 7000, 7300, 7400, \$0.030 per sq. ft.~~
~~7500, and 7800~~

309 ~~Whenever a parcel is used for multiple hazard classifications,~~
 310 ~~the district may vary the assessment in accordance with actual~~
 311 ~~categories. The board of commissioners shall have the authority~~
 312 ~~to further define these use code numbers subject to information~~
 313 ~~received from the property appraiser's office.~~

314 ~~Section 7. Impact fees.~~

315 ~~(1)(a) It is hereby found and determined that the district~~

316 ~~is located in one of the fastest growing areas of Manatee County~~
317 ~~which is itself experiencing one of the highest growth rates in~~
318 ~~the nation. New construction and resulting population growth~~
319 ~~have placed a strain upon the capabilities of the district to~~
320 ~~continue providing the high level of professional fire~~
321 ~~protection and emergency service for which the residents of the~~
322 ~~district pay and which they deserve.~~

323 ~~(b) It is hereby declared that the cost of new facilities~~
324 ~~upon fire protection and emergency service should be borne by~~
325 ~~new users of the district's services to the extent new~~
326 ~~construction requires new facilities, but only to that extent.~~
327 ~~It is the legislative intent of this section to transfer to the~~
328 ~~new users of the district's fire protection and emergency~~
329 ~~services a fair share of the costs that new users impose on the~~
330 ~~district for new facilities.~~

331 ~~(c) It is hereby declared that the amounts of the impact~~
332 ~~fees provided for in this section are just, reasonable, and~~
333 ~~equitable.~~

334 ~~(2) No person shall issue or obtain a building permit for~~
335 ~~new residential dwelling units or new commercial or industrial~~
336 ~~structures within the district, or issue or obtain construction~~
337 ~~plan approval for new recreational or travel trailer park~~
338 ~~developments located within the district, until the developer~~
339 ~~thereof shall have paid the applicable impact fee to the~~
340 ~~district as follows: each new residential dwelling unit, \$100~~
341 ~~per unit; new commercial or industrial structures, \$200 for the~~

342 ~~first 5,000 square feet of gross floor area and \$0.05 per square~~
343 ~~foot thereafter; new recreational or travel trailer park~~
344 ~~developments, \$25 per lot or permitted space.~~

345 ~~(3) The impact fees collected by the district pursuant to~~
346 ~~this section shall be kept as a separate fund from other~~
347 ~~revenues of the district and shall be used exclusively for the~~
348 ~~acquisition, purchase, or construction of new facilities or~~
349 ~~portions thereof required to provide fire protection and~~
350 ~~emergency service to new construction. "New facilities" means~~
351 ~~land, buildings, and capital equipment, including, but not~~
352 ~~limited to, fire and emergency vehicles and radiotelemetry~~
353 ~~equipment. The fees shall not be used for the acquisition,~~
354 ~~purchase, or construction of facilities which must be obtained~~
355 ~~in any event, regardless of growth within the district. The~~
356 ~~board of fire commissioners shall maintain adequate records to~~
357 ~~ensure that impact fees are expended only for permissible new~~
358 ~~facilities.~~

359 ~~Section 8. Impact fees Other district powers, functions,~~
360 ~~and duties.~~ By referendum dated August 31, 2004, the district's
361 electors authorized the district's increase of impact fees
362 relating to new construction. The board shall establish a
363 schedule of impact fees in compliance with any standards set by
364 general law for new construction to pay for the cost of new
365 facilities and equipment, the need for which is in whole or in
366 part the result of new construction. The impact fees collected
367 by the district under this section shall be kept separate from

368 other revenues of the district and must be used exclusively to
369 acquire, purchase, or construct new facilities or portions
370 thereof needed to provide fire protection and emergency services
371 to new construction. As used in this section, the term "new
372 facilities" means land, buildings, and capital equipment,
373 including, but not limited to, fire and emergency vehicles,
374 radiotelemetry equipment, and other firefighting or rescue
375 equipment. The board shall maintain adequate records to ensure
376 that impact fees are expended only for permissible new
377 facilities or equipment. The board may enter into agreements
378 with general purpose local governments to share in the revenues
379 from fire protection impact fees imposed by such governments. In
380 addition to any powers set forth in this act, the district shall
381 hold all powers, functions, and duties set forth in chapters
382 189, 191, and 197, Florida Statutes, ~~as they may be amended from~~
383 ~~time to time,~~ including, but not limited to, ad valorem
384 taxation, bond issuance, other revenue-raising capabilities,
385 budget preparation and approval, liens and foreclosure of liens,
386 use of tax deeds and tax certificates as appropriate for non-ad
387 valorem assessments, and contractual agreements. The district
388 may be financed by any method established in this act, chapter
389 189, Florida Statutes, ~~or~~ chapter 191, Florida Statutes, or any
390 other applicable general or special law, ~~as they may be amended~~
391 ~~from time to time.~~ The methods for assessing and collecting non-
392 ad valorem assessments shall be in the manner set forth in this
393 act or chapter 170, chapter 189, chapter 191, or chapter 197,

394 Florida Statutes. The district is authorized to levy and enforce
 395 non-ad valorem assessments in accordance with chapters 170, 189,
 396 191, and 197, Florida Statutes.

397 Section 9. Planning.—The district's planning requirements
 398 shall be as set forth in this act, chapters 189 and 191, Florida
 399 Statutes, and other applicable general or special laws, ~~as they~~
 400 ~~may be amended from time to time.~~

401 Section 10. Boundaries.—The district's geographic boundary
 402 limitations shall be as set forth in this act.

403 Section 11. Officers and employees.—Requirements for
 404 financial disclosure, meeting notices, public records
 405 maintenance, and per diem expenses for officers and employees
 406 shall be as set forth in chapters 112, 119, 189, 191, and 286,
 407 Florida Statutes, ~~as they may be amended from time to time.~~

408 Section 12. Bonds.—The procedures and requirements
 409 governing the issuance of bonds, notes, and other evidence of
 410 indebtedness by the district shall be as set forth in this act,
 411 chapter 191, Florida Statutes, and any other applicable general
 412 or special laws, ~~as they may be amended from time to time.~~

413 Section 13. Procurement; local preferences.—The district
 414 board shall have the power and authority to adopt by resolution
 415 a district procurement policy that grants a local preference in
 416 competitive bids for goods, services, or personal property to
 417 vendors or businesses located within Manatee County.

418 Section 2. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section 1 of
 419 chapter 93-352, Laws of Florida, as amended by chapter 94-373,

420 Laws of Florida, is amended to read:

421 Section 1. Manatee County district boards of fire
422 commissioners; membership.-

423 (1) (a) The business affairs of the ~~Cedar Hammock Fire~~
424 ~~Control District~~, Parrish Fire Control District, Southern
425 Manatee Fire and Rescue District, Trailer Estates Fire Control
426 District, Westside Fire Control District, and Whitfield Fire
427 Control District in Manatee County shall each be conducted and
428 administered by a five-member board of fire commissioners that
429 is elected by the electors of the respective district in a
430 nonpartisan election held at the time and in the manner
431 prescribed for holding general elections in section
432 189.405(2) (a), Florida Statutes. Each member of a district board
433 shall be elected for a term of 4 years and shall serve until his
434 or her successor is chosen and qualified, except that members
435 elected to seats 2 and 4 in the first election held after the
436 effective date of this act shall be elected for a term of 2
437 years.

438 Section 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.