

LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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House

The Committee on Judiciary (Rodrigues) recommended the following:

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8 9 Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete everything after the enacting clause

and insert:

Section 1. Section 28.46, Florida Statutes, is created to 6 read:

28.46 Felon financial obligations website.-The Florida Association of Court Clerks and Comptrollers, Inc., or a contractor selected by the association, shall establish and maintain an Internet database that aggregates amounts of

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11	financial obligations owed by persons who are convicted of a
12	felony.
13	(1) For each person convicted of a felony, the amounts owed
14	must be detailed based on the following categories:
15	(a) The amount owed in order to satisfy completion of all
16	terms of a sentence as provided in sentencing documents, which
17	must detail the amounts owed for restitution, fines, and fees as
18	described in s. 98.0751(2)(a)5.a. and b.
19	(b) The amount of all other financial obligations owed
20	which accrue after the date an obligation is ordered as part of
21	a sentence, which must detail the amounts described in s.
22	<u>98.0751(2)(a)5.c.</u>
23	(2) The information on the website must be in a searchable
24	format that allows a person convicted of a felony to quickly
25	identify his or her outstanding financial obligations resulting
26	from the felony conviction. Additionally, the website must
27	include a disclaimer stating that while the information on the
28	website regarding a person's outstanding financial obligations
29	may help to facilitate the restoration of a person's voting
30	rights, the Department of State is responsible for determining a
31	person's eligibility to vote.
32	(3) The website must contain data for persons sentenced for
33	a felony on or after October 1, 2021, or released from
34	incarceration for a felony on or after October 1, 2021.
35	(4) Funding for the website shall be as provided under s.
36	50.0311(4).
37	Section 2. Section 50.011, Florida Statutes, is amended to
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39	50.011 Publication of Where and in what language legal



40 notices to be published.-Whenever by statute an official or legal advertisement or a publication, or notice in a newspaper 41 42 or the legal notice website established pursuant to s. 50.0311, 43 has been or is directed or permitted in the nature of or in lieu 44 of process, or for constructive service, or in initiating, 45 assuming, reviewing, exercising or enforcing jurisdiction or power, or for any purpose, including all legal notices and 46 47 advertisements of sheriffs and tax collectors, the 48 contemporaneous and continuous intent and meaning of such 49 legislation all and singular, existing or repealed, is and has 50 been and is hereby declared to be and to have been, and the rule 51 of interpretation is and has been the following:au

52 (1) A publication in a newspaper printed and published 53 periodically at least once a week or oftener, containing at 54 least 25 percent of its words in the English language, entered 55 or qualified to be admitted and entered as periodicals matter at 56 a post office in the county where published, for sale to the 57 public generally, available to the public generally for the 58 publication of official or other notices and customarily containing information of a public character or of interest or 59 60 of value to the residents or owners of property in the county where published, or of interest or of value to the general 61 62 public; or

63 (2) On the legal notice website established pursuant to s.
64 50.0311.

Section 3. Section 50.021, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

50.021 Publication when no newspaper in county.—When any
law, or order or decree of court, <u>directs</u> shall direct

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advertisements to be made in <u>a</u> any county and there <u>is</u> be no
newspaper published in the said county, the advertisement may be
posted on the legal notice website as provided in s. 50.0311 or
made by posting three copies thereof in three different places
in <u>the said</u> county, one of which shall be at the front door of
the courthouse, and by publication in the nearest county in
which a newspaper is published.

Section 4. Subsections (2) and (3) of section 50.0211, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

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50.0211 Internet website publication.-

79 (2) If a governmental agency publishes a legal notice in a 80 newspaper, each legal notice must be posted on the newspaper's website on the same day that the printed notice appears in the 81 82 newspaper, at no additional charge, on in a separate web page titled "Legal Notices," "Legal Advertising," or comparable 83 84 identifying language. A link to the legal notices web page shall 85 be provided on the front page of the newspaper's website which that provides access to the legal notices. If there is a 86 87 specified size and placement required for a printed legal notice, the size and placement of the notice on the newspaper's 88 89 website must optimize its online visibility in keeping with the 90 print requirements. The newspaper's web pages that contain legal 91 notices must present the legal notices as the dominant and leading subject matter of those pages. The newspaper's website 92 93 must contain a search function to facilitate searching the legal 94 notices. A fee may not be charged, and registration may not be 95 required, for viewing or searching legal notices on a 96 newspaper's website if the legal notice is published in a 97 newspaper.

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98 (3) (a) If a legal notice is published in a newspaper, the 99 newspaper publishing the notice shall place the notice on the 100 statewide website established and maintained as an initiative of 101 the Florida Press Association as a repository for such notices 102 located at the following address: www.floridapublicnotices.com.

(b) A legal notice placed on the statewide website created under this subsection must be:

1. Accessible and searchable by party name and case number.

2. Posted for a period of at least 90 consecutive days after the first day of posting.

(c) The statewide website created under this subsection shall maintain a searchable archive of all legal notices posted on the publicly accessible website on or after October 1, 2014, for 18 months after the first day of posting. Such searchable archive shall be provided and accessible to the general public without charge.

114 Section 5. Section 50.031, Florida Statutes, is amended to 115 read:

50.031 Newspapers in which legal notices and process may be 116 117 published.-If a governmental agency publishes a legal notice in 118 a newspaper, no notice or publication required to be published 119 in a newspaper in the nature of or in lieu of process of any 120 kind, nature, character, or description provided for under any law of the state, whether heretofore or hereafter enacted, and 121 122 whether pertaining to constructive service, or the initiating, 123 assuming, reviewing, exercising, or enforcing jurisdiction or 124 power, by any court in this state, or any notice of sale of 125 property, real or personal, for taxes, state, county or municipal, or sheriff's, guardian's, or administrator's or any 126

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127 sale made pursuant to any judicial order, decree, or statute or 128 any other publication or notice pertaining to any affairs of the state, or any county, municipality, or other political 129 130 subdivision thereof, shall be deemed to have been published in 131 accordance with the statutes providing for such publication \overline{r} 132 unless the notice has same shall have been published for the 133 prescribed period of time required for such publication, in a 134 newspaper which at the time of such publication has shall have 135 been in existence for 1 year and shall have been entered as 136 periodicals matter at a post office in the county where 137 published, or in a newspaper that which is a direct successor of 138 a newspaper which together have been so published; provided, 139 however, that this section does not apply to nothing herein 140 contained shall apply where in any county where there shall be 141 no newspaper exists that has been in existence which shall have 142 been published for the prescribed length of time above 143 prescribed. No legal publication of any kind, nature, or 144 description, as herein defined, shall be valid or binding or 145 held to be in compliance with the statutes providing for such 146 publication unless the same shall have been published in 147 accordance with the provisions of this section or s. 50.0311. Proof of such publication shall be made by uniform affidavit. 148 149 Section 6. Section 50.0311, Florida Statutes, is created to 150 read: 151 50.0311 Statewide legal notice website.-152 (1) For purposes of this chapter, the term: 153 (a) "Association" means the Florida Association of Court 154 Clerks and Comptrollers, Inc. 155 (b) "Governmental agency" means a county, municipality,

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156 school board, or other unit of local government or political 157 subdivision in this state. 158 (2) (a) The association shall establish a legal notice 159 website to serve as a centralized statewide repository for the 160 publication of any advertisement or public notice by a 161 governmental agency or a party to litigation which would 162 otherwise be required by law to be published in a newspaper. The 163 advertisement or public notice must be posted to the website 164 following the governmental agency's payment of a fee established 165 by the association. The fee charged for publishing an 166 advertisement or a public notice may not exceed the amount for 167 charges authorized in s. 50.061. The maximum fee may be adjusted 168 by the association, upon approval by the Legislative Budget 169 Commission. A governmental agency may publish the advertisement 170 or public notice in at least one newspaper of general 171 circulation in the affected county in lieu of website 172 publication. 173 (b) Notwithstanding any other law, an advertisement or a 174 legal notice may be published on the statewide legal notice 175 website in lieu of an advertisement or a notice in a newspaper 176 if the advertisement or notice is posted on the website for an 177 adequate time before any proposed action specified in the 178 advertisement or notice is taken. For an advertisement or a 179 notice required to be published only once, the advertisement or 180 notice is deemed to be posted for an adequate time if it is posted and continuously available on the website for at least 7 181 182 days before any proposed action; 1 week for each weekly 183 advertisement or notice that would have otherwise been published 184 in a newspaper; and 1 month for each monthly notice that would

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185 have otherwise been published in a newspaper. (3) (a) The legal notice website must be operated by the 186 187 association or by a contractor selected by the association. The 188 website operating costs may not exceed 15 percent of the revenue 189 from fees for advertisements and public notices published on the 190 website. The association must publicize the existence of the website and its web address on at least a monthly basis through 191 192 publishing a notice in at least one newspaper of general circulation in each county of this state, and each clerk of 193 194 court must post a clear written notice at the entrance of each county courthouse and each annex containing court facilities. A 195 196 governmental agency that posts advertisements or notices on the 197 legal notice website must also include such advertisements or 198 notices, or additional information pertaining to such 199 advertisements or notices, on the governmental agency's official 200 website. 201 (b) The legal notice website must be accessible and 202 searchable by the public. 203 1. The advertisements and legal notices must be searchable 204 by case number; party name; party type; purpose; the county, 205 municipality, or other relevant geographic area or political 206 subdivision affected; the initial date of posting or 207 publication; and any other criteria that facilitates notice and public access. 208 209 2. Each advertisement and notice must include its initial 210 date of publication or posting and remain available on the 211 website for at least 2 years after such date. 212 (4) All revenue from fees collected for postings on the 213 legal notice website which is in excess of the operating costs

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214	for the legal notice website must be used toward the felon
215	financial obligations website operated by the association
216	pursuant to s. 28.46. However, the operating costs of the felon
217	financial obligations website may not exceed 50 percent of
218	excess revenue remaining after any deductions made pursuant to
219	subsection (3).
220	(5) Fifty percent of any excess revenue remaining after
221	deducting operating costs for the felon financial obligations
222	website shall be deposited into the Clerks of the Court Trust
223	Fund in the Department of Revenue and the remaining 50 percent
224	shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund. Fifteen
225	percent of such excess revenue from fees collected in any fiscal
226	year may be pledged for the operation of the legal notice
227	website.
228	Section 7. Section 50.041, Florida Statutes, is amended to
229	read:
230	50.041 Proof of publication; uniform affidavits required
231	(1) All affidavits of publishers of newspapers (or their
232	official representatives) made for the purpose of establishing
233	proof of publication of public notices or legal advertisements
234	shall be uniform throughout the state.
235	(2) Each such affidavit shall be printed upon white paper
236	and shall be 8 1/2 inches in width and of convenient length, not
237	less than 5 1/2 inches. A white margin of not less than 2 1/2
238	inches shall be left at the right side of each affidavit form
239	and upon or in this space shall be substantially pasted a
240	clipping which shall be a true copy of the public notice or
241	legal advertisement for which proof is executed. Alternatively,
242	the affidavit may be provided in electronic rather than paper

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243 form, provided the notarization of the affidavit complies with 244 the requirements of s. 117.021. 245 (3) In all counties having a population in excess of 450,000 according to the latest official decennial census, in 246 247 addition to the charges which are now or may hereafter be established by law for the publication of every official notice 248 249 or legal advertisement, There may be a charge not to exceed \$2 250 levied for the preparation and execution of each such proof of 2.51 publication or publisher's affidavit. 252 Section 8. Section 50.051, Florida Statutes, is amended to 253 read: 254 50.051 Proof of publication; form of uniform affidavit.-The 255 printed form upon which all such affidavits establishing proof 256 of publication are to be executed shall be substantially as 257 follows: 258 NAME OF COUNTY NEWSPAPER 259 Published (Weekly or Daily) (Town or City) (County) FLORIDA 260 261 STATE OF FLORIDA 262 263 COUNTY OF: 264 Before the undersigned authority personally appeared, 265 who on oath says that he or she is of the, a 266 newspaper published at in County, Florida; that the 267 attached copy of advertisement, being a in the matter of 268 in the Court, was published on the legal notice 269 website maintained by the Florida Association of Court Clerks 270 and Comptrollers, Inc., or in a said newspaper. in the issues of 271



272 Affiant further says that the website or newspaper complies 273 with all legal requirements for publication in chapter 50, 274 Florida Statutes said is a newspaper published at, in 275 said County, Florida, and that the said newspaper has 276 heretofore been continuously published in said County, 277 Florida, each and has been entered as periodicals matter at 278 the post office in, in said County, Florida, for a 279 period of 1 year next preceding the first publication of the 280 attached copy of advertisement; and affiant further says that he 281 or she has neither paid nor promised any person, firm or 282 corporation any discount, rebate, commission or refund for the purpose of securing this advertisement for publication in the 283 284 said newspaper. 285 286 Sworn to and subscribed before me this day of, 287 ... (year) ..., by, who is personally known to me or who has 288 produced (type of identification) as identification. 289 290 ... (Signature of Notary Public) ... 291 292 ... (Print, Type, or Stamp Commissioned Name of Notary Public)... 293 294 ... (Notary Public) ... 295 Section 9. Section 50.0711, Florida Statutes, is amended to 296 read: 297 50.0711 Court docket fund; service charges; publications.-298 (1) The clerk of the court in each county may establish a 299 court docket fund for the purpose of paying the cost of 300 publication of the fact of the filing of any civil case in the

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301 circuit court of the county by the style and of the calendar 302 relating to such cases. This court docket fund shall be funded 303 by \$1 mandatory court cost for all civil actions, suits, or 304 proceedings filed in the circuit court of the county. The clerk shall maintain such funds separate and apart, and the proceeds 305 306 from this court cost shall not be diverted to any other fund or 307 for any purpose other than that established in this section. The 308 clerk of the court shall dispense the fund to the operators of 309 the legal notice website established in s. 50.0311 or the 310 designated record newspaper in the county on a quarterly basis.

311 (2) If a judicial circuit publishes legal notices in a 312 newspaper, a newspaper qualified under the terms of s. 50.011 313 shall be designated as the record newspaper for such publication 314 by an order of the majority of the judges in the judicial 315 circuit in which such county is located, and such order shall be 316 filed and recorded with the clerk of the circuit court for such 317 county. The designated record newspaper may be changed at the 318 end of any fiscal year of the county by a majority vote of the judges of the judicial circuit of the county ordering such 319 320 change 30 days before prior to the end of the fiscal year, 321 notice of which order shall be given to the previously 322 designated record newspaper.

(3) The publishers of any designated record newspapers, or
the legal notice website, receiving payment from this court
docket fund shall publish, without additional charge, the fact
of the filing of any civil case, suit, or action filed in such
county in the circuit. Such publication <u>must shall</u> be in
accordance with a schedule agreed upon between the <u>Florida</u>
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330 published on the legal notice website, or the record newspaper 331 and the clerk of the court in such county.

332 (4) The legal notice website or the publishers of any 333 designated record newspapers receiving revenues from the court 334 docket fund established in subsection (1) shall, without charge, 335 accept legal advertisements for the purpose of service of 336 process by publication under s. 49.011(4), (10), and (11) when 337 such publication is required of persons authorized to proceed as 338 indigent persons under s. 57.081.

Section 10. Subsection (4) of section 83.806, Florida 340 Statutes, is amended to read:

83.806 Enforcement of lien.-An owner's lien as provided in s. 83.805 may be satisfied as follows:

(4) After the expiration of the time given in the notice, an advertisement of the sale or other disposition shall be published once a week for 2 consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in the area where the self-service storage facility or self-contained storage unit is located or published continuously for 14 consecutive days on the legal notice website established pursuant to s. 50.0311.

350 (a) A lien sale may be conducted on a public website that 351 customarily conducts personal property auctions. The facility or 352 unit owner is not required to hold a license to post property 353 for online sale. Inasmuch as any sale may involve property of 354 more than one tenant, a single advertisement may be used to 355 dispose of property at any one sale.

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(b) The advertisement must shall include:

357 1. A brief and general description of what is believed to 358 constitute the personal property contained in the storage unit,



359 as provided in paragraph (2)(b). 360 2. The address of the self-service storage facility or the 361 address where the self-contained storage unit is located and the 362 name of the tenant. 363 3. The time, place, and manner of the sale or other 364 disposition. The sale or other disposition shall take place at 365 least 15 days after the first publication. 366 (c) If there is no newspaper of general circulation in the 367 area where the self-service storage facility or self-contained 368 storage unit is located, the advertisement shall be posted at least 10 days before the date of the sale or other disposition 369 370 in at least three conspicuous places in the neighborhood where 371 the self-service storage facility or self-contained storage unit 372 is located or published continuously for 14 consecutive days on 373 the legal notice website established pursuant to s. 50.0311. 374 Section 11. Subsection (11) of section 775.089, Florida 375 Statutes, is amended to read: 376 775.089 Restitution.-377 (11) (a) The court shall may order the clerk of the court to 378 collect and dispense restitution payments in any felony case 379 unless the court orders the Department of Corrections to collect 380 and remit the restitution payments. The court may order the 381 clerk of the court to collect and disburse restitution in any 382 misdemeanor or civil case. 383 (b) The court may order the Department of Corrections to

(b) The court may order the Department of Corrections to collect and dispense restitution and other payments from persons remanded to its custody or supervision. <u>If the Department of</u> <u>Corrections is ordered to collect and remit restitution payments</u> <u>or any other payments, it must report the amounts collected and</u>

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388 disbursed on a monthly basis to the Florida Association of Court 389 Clerks and Comptrollers, Inc., in the form and detail required 390 by the association for purposes of posting on the felon 391 financial obligations website established under s. 28.46.

392 Section 12. Section 11.02, Florida Statutes, is amended to 393 read:

394 11.02 Notice of special or local legislation or certain 395 relief acts.-The notice required to obtain special or local legislation or any relief act specified in s. 11.065 shall be by 396 397 publishing the identical notice in each county involved in some 398 newspaper as provided defined in chapter 50 published in or 399 circulated throughout the county or counties where the matter or 400 thing to be affected by such legislation shall be situated one 401 time at least 30 days before introduction of the proposed law 402 into the Legislature or, if the notice is not posted on the 403 legal notice website established pursuant to s. 50.0311 and 404 there being no newspaper circulated throughout or published in 405 the county, by posting for at least 30 days at not less than 406 three public places in the county or each of the counties, one 407 of which places shall be at the courthouse in the county or 408 counties where the matter or thing to be affected by such 409 legislation shall be situated. Notice of special or local 410 legislation shall state the substance of the contemplated law, 411 as required by s. 10, Art. III of the State Constitution. Notice 412 of any relief act specified in s. 11.065 shall state the name of 413 the claimant, the nature of the injury or loss for which the 414 claim is made, and the amount of the claim against the affected 415 municipality's revenue-sharing trust fund.

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Section 13. Subsection (2) of section 45.031, Florida



417	Statutes, is amended to read:
418	45.031 Judicial sales procedure.—In any sale of real or
419	personal property under an order or judgment, the procedures
420	provided in this section and ss. 45.0315-45.035 may be followed
421	as an alternative to any other sale procedure if so ordered by
422	the court.
423	(2) PUBLICATION OF SALENotice of sale shall be published
424	on the legal notice website established pursuant to s. 50.0311
425	for at least 2 consecutive weeks before the sale or once a week
426	for 2 consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation $_{m{ au}}$
427	as provided defined in chapter 50, published in the county where
428	the sale is to be held. The second publication by newspaper
429	shall be at least 5 days before the sale. The notice shall
430	contain:
431	(a) A description of the property to be sold.
432	(b) The time and place of sale.
433	(c) A statement that the sale will be made pursuant to the
434	order or final judgment.
435	(d) The caption of the action.
436	(e) The name of the clerk making the sale.
437	(f) A statement that any person claiming an interest in the
438	surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as
439	of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim before the
440	clerk reports the surplus as unclaimed.
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442	The court, in its discretion, may enlarge the time of the sale.
443	Notice of the changed time of sale shall be published as
444	provided herein.
445	Section 14. Subsection (2) of section 121.0511, Florida

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446 Statutes, is amended to read: 447 121.0511 Revocation of election and alternative plan.—The 448 governing body of any municipality or independent special 449 district that has elected to participate in the Florida 450 Retirement System may revoke its election in accordance with the 451 following procedure:

(2) At least 7 days, but not more than 15 days, before the hearing, notice of intent to revoke, specifying the time and place of the hearing, must be published <u>as provided in chapter</u> <u>50 in a newspaper of general circulation in the area affected,</u> <u>as provided by ss. 50.011-50.031</u>. Proof of publication of the notice must be submitted to the Department of Management Services.

Section 15. Paragraphs (b) and (h) of subsection (1) of section 121.055, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

121.055 Senior Management Service Class.—There is hereby established a separate class of membership within the Florida Retirement System to be known as the "Senior Management Service Class," which shall become effective February 1, 1987.

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(b)1. Except as provided in subparagraph 2., effective January 1, 1990, participation in the Senior Management Service Class is compulsory for the president of each community college, the manager of each participating municipality or county, and all appointed district school superintendents. Effective January 1, 1994, additional positions may be designated for inclusion in the Senior Management Service Class if:

473 a. Positions to be included in the class are designated by474 the local agency employer. Notice of intent to designate



475 positions for inclusion in the class must be published <u>for at</u> 476 <u>least 2 consecutive weeks if published on the legal notice</u> 477 <u>website established pursuant to s. 50.0311 or</u> once a week for 2 478 consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation 479 published in the county or counties affected_{τ} as provided in 480 chapter 50.

b. Up to 10 nonelective full-time positions may be designated for each local agency employer reporting to the department; for local agencies with 100 or more regularly established positions, additional nonelective full-time positions may be designated, not to exceed 1 percent of the regularly established positions within the agency.

c. Each position added to the class must be a managerial or policymaking position filled by an employee who is not subject to continuing contract and serves at the pleasure of the local agency employer without civil service protection, and who:

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(I) Heads an organizational unit; or

(II) Has responsibility to effect or recommend personnel, budget, expenditure, or policy decisions in his or her areas of responsibility.

495 2. In lieu of participation in the Senior Management 496 Service Class, members of the Senior Management Service Class, 497 pursuant to subparagraph 1., may withdraw from the Florida 498 Retirement System altogether. The decision to withdraw from the 499 system is irrevocable as long as the employee holds the 500 position. Any service creditable under the Senior Management 501 Service Class shall be retained after the member withdraws from 502 the system; however, additional service credit in the Senior 503 Management Service Class may not be earned after such

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504 withdrawal. Such members are not eligible to participate in the 505 Senior Management Service Optional Annuity Program.

3. Effective January 1, 2006, through June 30, 2006, an employee who has withdrawn from the Florida Retirement System under subparagraph 2. has one opportunity to elect to participate in the pension plan or the investment plan.

a. If the employee elects to participate in the investment plan, membership shall be prospective, and the applicable provisions of s. 121.4501(4) govern the election.

b. If the employee elects to participate in the pension plan, the employee shall, upon payment to the system trust fund of the amount calculated under sub-sub-subparagraph (I), receive service credit for prior service based upon the time during which the employee had withdrawn from the system.

518 (I) The cost for such credit shall be an amount 519 representing the actuarial accrued liability for the affected 520 period of service. The cost shall be calculated using the 521 discount rate and other relevant actuarial assumptions that were 522 used to value the pension plan liabilities in the most recent 523 actuarial valuation. The calculation must include any service 524 already maintained under the pension plan in addition to the 525 period of withdrawal. The actuarial accrued liability 526 attributable to any service already maintained under the pension 527 plan shall be applied as a credit to the total cost resulting 528 from the calculation. The division must ensure that the transfer 529 sum is prepared using a formula and methodology certified by an 530 actuary.

(II) The employee must transfer a sum representing the netcost owed for the actuarial accrued liability in sub-sub-



533 subparagraph (I) immediately following the time of such 534 movement, determined assuming that attained service equals the 535 sum of service in the pension plan and the period of withdrawal.

536 (h)1. Except as provided in subparagraph 3., effective 537 January 1, 1994, participation in the Senior Management Service 538 Class shall be compulsory for the State Courts Administrator and 539 the Deputy State Courts Administrators, the Clerk of the Supreme 540 Court, the Marshal of the Supreme Court, the Executive Director 541 of the Justice Administrative Commission, the capital collateral 542 regional counsel, the clerks of the district courts of appeals, the marshals of the district courts of appeals, and the trial 543 544 court administrator and the Chief Deputy Court Administrator in 545 each judicial circuit. Effective January 1, 1994, additional 546 positions in the offices of the state attorney and public 547 defender in each judicial circuit may be designated for 548 inclusion in the Senior Management Service Class of the Florida Retirement System, provided that: 549

550 a. Positions to be included in the class shall be 551 designated by the state attorney or public defender, as 552 appropriate. Notice of intent to designate positions for 553 inclusion in the class shall be published for at least 2 554 consecutive weeks if published on the legal notice website 555 established pursuant to s. 50.0311 or once a week for 2 556 consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation 557 published in the county or counties affected, as provided in 558 chapter 50.

b. One nonelective full-time position may be designated for
each state attorney and public defender reporting to the
Department of Management Services; for agencies with 200 or more



regularly established positions under the state attorney or public defender, additional nonelective full-time positions may be designated, not to exceed 0.5 percent of the regularly established positions within the agency.

566 c. Each position added to the class must be a managerial or 567 policymaking position filled by an employee who serves at the 568 pleasure of the state attorney or public defender without civil 569 service protection, and who:

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(I) Heads an organizational unit; or

571 (II) Has responsibility to effect or recommend personnel, 572 budget, expenditure, or policy decisions in his or her areas of 573 responsibility.

574 2. Participation in this class shall be compulsory, except 575 as provided in subparagraph 3., for any judicial employee who 576 holds a position designated for coverage in the Senior 577 Management Service Class, and such participation shall continue 578 until the employee terminates employment in a covered position. 579 Effective January 1, 2001, participation in this class is 580 compulsory for assistant state attorneys, assistant statewide 581 prosecutors, assistant public defenders, and assistant capital 582 collateral regional counsel. Effective January 1, 2002, 583 participation in this class is compulsory for assistant 584 attorneys general.

3. In lieu of participation in the Senior Management Service Class, such members, excluding assistant state attorneys, assistant public defenders, assistant statewide prosecutors, assistant attorneys general, and assistant capital collateral regional counsel, may participate in the Senior Management Service Optional Annuity Program as established in



591 subsection (6).

592 Section 16. Paragraph (a) of subsection (2) and paragraph 593 (b) of subsection (4) of section 125.66, Florida Statutes, are 594 amended to read:

595 125.66 Ordinances; enactment procedure; emergency 596 ordinances; rezoning or change of land use ordinances or 597 resolutions.-

598 (2) (a) The regular enactment procedure shall be as follows: 599 The board of county commissioners at any regular or special 600 meeting may enact or amend any ordinance, except as provided in 601 subsection (4), if notice of intent to consider such ordinance 602 is given at least 10 days before any such prior to said meeting 603 by publication as provided in chapter 50 in a newspaper of 604 general circulation in the county. A copy of such notice must 605 shall be kept available for public inspection during the regular 606 business hours of the office of the clerk of the board of county 607 commissioners. The notice of proposed enactment must shall state 608 the date, time, and place of the meeting; the title or titles of 609 proposed ordinances; and the place or places within the county 610 where such proposed ordinances may be inspected by the public. 611 The notice must shall also advise that interested parties may 612 appear at the meeting and be heard with respect to the proposed 613 ordinance.

(4) Ordinances or resolutions, initiated by other than the county, that change the actual zoning map designation of a parcel or parcels of land shall be enacted pursuant to subsection (2). Ordinances or resolutions that change the actual list of permitted, conditional, or prohibited uses within a zoning category, or ordinances or resolutions initiated by the



620 county that change the actual zoning map designation of a parcel 621 or parcels of land shall be enacted pursuant to the following 622 procedure:

(b) In cases in which the proposed ordinance or resolution
changes the actual list of permitted, conditional, or prohibited
uses within a zoning category, or changes the actual zoning map
designation of a parcel or parcels of land involving 10
contiguous acres or more, the board of county commissioners
shall provide for public notice and hearings as follows:

629 1. The board of county commissioners shall hold two 630 advertised public hearings on the proposed ordinance or 631 resolution. At least one hearing shall be held after 5 p.m. on a 632 weekday, unless the board of county commissioners, by a majority 633 plus one vote, elects to conduct that hearing at another time of 634 day. The first public hearing shall be held at least 7 days 635 after the day that the first advertisement is published. The 636 second hearing shall be held at least 10 days after the first 637 hearing and shall be advertised at least 5 days before prior to 638 the public hearing.

639 2. If published in a newspaper, the required advertisements 640 shall be no less than 2 columns wide by 10 inches long in a 641 standard size or a tabloid size newspaper, and the headline in 642 the advertisement shall be in a type no smaller than 18 point. 643 The advertisement shall not be placed in that portion of the 644 newspaper where legal notices and classified advertisements 645 appear. The advertisement shall be placed in a newspaper of 646 general paid circulation in the county and of general interest 647 and readership in the community pursuant to chapter 50, not one of limited subject matter. It is the legislative intent that, 648

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649 whenever possible, the advertisement shall appear in a newspaper 650 that is published at least weekly 5 days a week unless the only 651 newspaper in the community is published less than weekly 5 days 652 a week. The advertisement shall be in substantially the 653 following form: 654 NOTICE OF (TYPE OF) CHANGE 655 656 The ... (name of local governmental unit) ... proposes to 657 adopt the following by ordinance or resolution:... (title of 658 ordinance or resolution) 659 A public hearing on the ordinance or resolution will be 660 held on ... (date and time)... at ... (meeting place).... 661 662 Except for amendments which change the actual list of permitted, 663 conditional, or prohibited uses within a zoning category, the 664 advertisement shall contain a geographic location map which 665 clearly indicates the area within the local government covered 666 by the proposed ordinance or resolution. The map shall include 667 major street names as a means of identification of the general 668 area. In addition to being published on the legal notice website 669 established pursuant to s. 50.0311 or in the newspaper, the map 670 must be part of the online notice required pursuant to s. 671 50.0211 or s. 50.0311. 672 3. In lieu of publishing the advertisements set out in this 673 paragraph, the board of county commissioners may mail a notice 674 to each person owning real property within the area covered by

675 the ordinance or resolution. Such notice shall clearly explain 676 the proposed ordinance or resolution and shall notify the person 677 of the time, place, and location of both public hearings on the

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678	proposed ordinance or resolution.
679	Section 17. Paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section
680	162.12, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
681	162.12 Notices
682	(2) In addition to providing notice as set forth in
683	subsection (1), at the option of the code enforcement board or
684	the local government, notice may be served by publication or
685	posting, as follows:
686	(a)1. Such notice shall be published for 4 consecutive
687	weeks on the legal notice website as provided in s. 50.0311 or
688	once during each week for 4 consecutive weeks (four publications
689	being sufficient) in a newspaper of general circulation in the
690	county where the code enforcement board is located. The
691	newspaper shall meet such requirements as are prescribed under
692	chapter 50 for legal and official advertisements.
693	2. Proof of publication shall be made as provided in ss.
694	50.041 and 50.051.
695	Section 18. Paragraph (c) of subsection (3) of section
696	166.041, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
697	166.041 Procedures for adoption of ordinances and
698	resolutions
699	(3)
700	(c) Ordinances initiated by other than the municipality
701	that change the actual zoning map designation of a parcel or
702	parcels of land shall be enacted pursuant to paragraph (a).
703	Ordinances that change the actual list of permitted,
704	conditional, or prohibited uses within a zoning category, or
705	ordinances initiated by the municipality that change the actual
706	zoning map designation of a parcel or parcels of land shall be

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enacted pursuant to the following procedure: 1. In cases in which the proposed ordinance changes the actual zoning map designation for a parcel or parcels of land involving less than 10 contiguous acres, the governing body shall direct the clerk of the governing body to notify by mail each real property owner whose land the municipality will redesignate by enactment of the ordinance and whose address is known by reference to the latest ad valorem tax records. The notice shall state the substance of the proposed ordinance as it affects that property owner and shall set a time and place for one or more public hearings on such ordinance. Such notice shall be given at least 30 days before prior to the date set for the public hearing, and a copy of the notice shall be kept available for public inspection during the regular business hours of the office of the clerk of the governing body. The governing body shall hold a public hearing on the proposed ordinance and may, upon the conclusion of the hearing, immediately adopt the ordinance.

2. In cases in which the proposed ordinance changes the actual list of permitted, conditional, or prohibited uses within a zoning category, or changes the actual zoning map designation of a parcel or parcels of land involving 10 contiguous acres or more, the governing body shall provide for public notice and hearings as follows:

a. The local governing body shall hold two advertised
public hearings on the proposed ordinance. At least one hearing
shall be held after 5 p.m. on a weekday, unless the local
governing body, by a majority plus one vote, elects to conduct
that hearing at another time of day. The first public hearing



736 shall be held at least 7 days after the day that the first 737 advertisement is published. The second hearing shall be held at 738 least 10 days after the first hearing and shall be advertised at 739 least 5 days before prior to the public hearing.

740 b. If published in a newspaper, the required advertisements 741 shall be no less than 2 columns wide by 10 inches long in a 742 standard size or a tabloid size newspaper, and the headline in 743 the advertisement shall be in a type no smaller than 18 point. 744 The advertisement shall not be placed in that portion of the newspaper where legal notices and classified advertisements 745 746 appear. The advertisement shall be placed in a newspaper of 747 general paid circulation in the municipality and of general 748 interest and readership in the municipality, not one of limited 749 subject matter, pursuant to chapter 50. It is the legislative 750 intent that, whenever possible, the advertisement appear in a 751 newspaper that is published at least weekly 5 days a week unless 752 the only newspaper in the municipality is published less than 753 weekly 5 days a week. The advertisement shall be in 754 substantially the following form:

NOTICE OF (TYPE OF) CHANGE

The ... (name of local governmental unit)... proposes to adopt the following ordinance:... (title of the ordinance)....

A public hearing on the ordinance will be held on ... (date and time)... at ... (meeting place)....

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765 advertisement shall contain a geographic location map which 766 clearly indicates the area covered by the proposed ordinance. 767 The map shall include major street names as a means of 768 identification of the general area. If In addition to being 769 published in the newspaper, the map must also be part of the 770 online notice required pursuant to s. 50.0211 or s. 50.0311.

771 c. In lieu of publishing the advertisement set out in this 772 paragraph, the municipality may mail a notice to each person 773 owning real property within the area covered by the ordinance. Such notice shall clearly explain the proposed ordinance and 775 shall notify the person of the time, place, and location of any 776 public hearing on the proposed ordinance.

Section 19. Subsection (1) of section 189.015, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

189.015 Meetings; notice; required reports.-

780 (1) The governing body of each special district shall file quarterly, semiannually, or annually a schedule of its regular 781 782 meetings with the local governing authority or authorities. The 783 schedule shall include the date, time, and location of each 784 scheduled meeting. The schedule shall be published quarterly, 785 semiannually, or annually in a newspaper of general paid 786 circulation in the manner required in this subsection. The 787 governing body of an independent special district shall 788 advertise the day, time, place, and purpose of any meeting other 789 than a regular meeting or any recessed and reconvened meeting of 790 the governing body, at least 7 days before such meeting as 791 provided in chapter 50, in a newspaper of general paid 792 circulation in the county or counties in which the special 793 district is located, unless a bona fide emergency situation

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794 exists, in which case a meeting to deal with the emergency may 795 be held as necessary, with reasonable notice, so long as it is 796 subsequently ratified by the governing body. No approval of the 797 annual budget shall be granted at an emergency meeting. The 798 notice shall be posted as provided in advertisement shall be 799 placed in that portion of the newspaper where legal notices and 800 classified advertisements appear. The advertisement shall appear 801 in a newspaper that is published at least 5 days a week, unless 802 the only newspaper in the county is published fewer than 5 days 803 a week. The newspaper selected must be one of general interest 804 and readership in the community and not one of limited subject 805 matter, pursuant to chapter 50. Any other provision of law to 806 the contrary notwithstanding, and except in the case of 807 emergency meetings, water management districts may provide 808 reasonable notice of public meetings held to evaluate responses 809 to solicitations issued by the water management district, by 810 publication as provided in chapter 50 on the legal notice 811 website or in a newspaper of general paid circulation in the 812 county where the principal office of the water management 813 district is located, or in the county or counties where the 814 public work will be performed, no less than 7 days before such 815 meeting. 816 Section 20. Paragraph (d) of subsection (1) of section 817 190.005, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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190.005 Establishment of district.-

819 (1) The exclusive and uniform method for the establishment
820 of a community development district with a size of 2,500 acres
821 or more shall be pursuant to a rule, adopted under chapter 120
822 by the Florida Land and Water Adjudicatory Commission, granting

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823 a petition for the establishment of a community development824 district.

825 (d) A local public hearing on the petition shall be 826 conducted by a hearing officer in conformance with the 827 applicable requirements and procedures of the Administrative 828 Procedure Act. The hearing shall include oral and written 829 comments on the petition pertinent to the factors specified in 830 paragraph (e). The hearing shall be held at an accessible 831 location in the county in which the community development 832 district is to be located. The petitioner shall cause a notice 833 of the hearing to be published for 4 successive weeks on the 834 legal notice website established pursuant to s. 50.0311 or in a 835 newspaper at least once a week for the 4 successive weeks 836 immediately before prior to the hearing as provided in chapter 837 50. Such notice shall give the time and place for the hearing, a 838 description of the area to be included in the district, which 839 description shall include a map showing clearly the area to be 840 covered by the district, and any other relevant information which the establishing governing bodies may require. If 841 842 published in a newspaper, the advertisement may shall not be 843 placed in the that portion of the newspaper where legal notices 844 and classified advertisements appear. The advertisement shall be 845 published in a newspaper of general paid circulation in the 846 county and of general interest and readership in the community, 847 not one of limited subject matter, pursuant to chapter 50. 848 Whenever possible, the advertisement shall appear in a newspaper 849 that is published at least weekly 5 days a week, unless the only 850 newspaper in the community is published less than weekly fewer 851 than 5 days a week. If In addition to being published in the

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852 newspaper, the map referenced above must <u>also</u> be part of the 853 online advertisement required pursuant to s. 50.0211 <u>or s.</u> 854 <u>50.0311</u>. All affected units of general-purpose local government 855 and the general public shall be given an opportunity to appear 856 at the hearing and present oral or written comments on the 857 petition.

Section 21. Paragraph (h) of subsection (1) of section 190.046, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

190.046 Termination, contraction, or expansion of district.-

(1) A landowner or the board may petition to contract or expand the boundaries of a community development district in the following manner:

865 (h) For a petition to establish a new community development 866 district of less than 2,500 acres on land located solely in one 867 county or one municipality, sufficiently contiguous lands 868 located within the county or municipality which the petitioner 869 anticipates adding to the boundaries of the district within 10 870 years after the effective date of the ordinance establishing the 871 district may also be identified. If such sufficiently contiguous 872 land is identified, the petition must include a legal 873 description of each additional parcel within the sufficiently 874 contiguous land, the current owner of the parcel, the acreage of 875 the parcel, and the current land use designation of the parcel. 876 At least 14 days before the hearing required under s. 877 190.005(2)(b), the petitioner must give the current owner of 878 each such parcel notice of filing the petition to establish the 879 district, the date and time of the public hearing on the 880 petition, and the name and address of the petitioner. A parcel

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881 may not be included in the district without the written consent 882 of the owner of the parcel. 883 1. After establishment of the district, a person may 884 petition the county or municipality to amend the boundaries of 885 the district to include a previously identified parcel that was 886 a proposed addition to the district before its establishment. A 887 filing fee may not be charged for this petition. Each such 888 petition must include: a. A legal description by metes and bounds of the parcel to 889 890 be added; 891 b. A new legal description by metes and bounds of the 892 district; 893 c. Written consent of all owners of the parcel to be added; 894 d. A map of the district including the parcel to be added; 895 e. A description of the development proposed on the 896 additional parcel; and 897 f. A copy of the original petition identifying the parcel 898 to be added. 899 2. Before filing with the county or municipality, the 900 person must provide the petition to the district and to the 901 owner of the proposed additional parcel, if the owner is not the 902 petitioner. 903 3. Once the petition is determined sufficient and complete, 904 the county or municipality must process the addition of the 905 parcel to the district as an amendment to the ordinance that 906 establishes the district. The county or municipality may process 907 all petitions to amend the ordinance for parcels identified in 908 the original petition, even if, by adding such parcels, the 909 district exceeds 2,500 acres.

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910 4. The petitioner shall cause to be published in a 911 newspaper of general circulation in the proposed district a 912 notice of the intent to amend the ordinance that establishes the 913 district. The notice must be in addition to any notice required 914 for adoption of the ordinance amendment. Such notice must be published as provided in chapter 50 at least 10 days before the 915 scheduled hearing on the ordinance amendment and may be 916 917 published in the section of the newspaper reserved for legal 918 notices. The notice must include a general description of the 919 land to be added to the district and the date and time of the 920 scheduled hearing to amend the ordinance. The petitioner shall 921 deliver, including by mail or hand delivery, the notice of the 922 hearing on the ordinance amendment to the owner of the parcel 923 and to the district at least 14 days before the scheduled 924 hearing.

925 5. The amendment of a district by the addition of a parcel 926 pursuant to this paragraph does not alter the transition from 927 landowner voting to qualified elector voting pursuant to s. 928 190.006, even if the total size of the district after the 929 addition of the parcel exceeds 5,000 acres. Upon adoption of the 930 ordinance expanding the district, the petitioner must cause to 931 be recorded a notice of boundary amendment which reflects the 932 new boundaries of the district.

933 6. This paragraph is intended to facilitate the orderly
934 addition of lands to a district under certain circumstances and
935 does not preclude the addition of lands to any district using
936 the procedures in the other provisions of this section.

937 Section 22. Subsection (1) of section 194.037, Florida 938 Statutes, is amended to read:

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194.037 Disclosure of tax impact.-

(1) After hearing all petitions, complaints, appeals, and disputes, the clerk shall make public notice of the findings and results of the board as provided in chapter 50. If published in a newspaper, the notice must be in at least a quarter-page size advertisement of a standard size or tabloid size newspaper, and the headline shall be in a type no smaller than 18 point. The advertisement shall not be placed in that portion of the newspaper where legal notices and classified advertisements appear. The advertisement shall be published in a newspaper of general paid circulation in the county. The newspaper selected shall be one of general interest and readership in the community, and not one of limited subject matter, pursuant to chapter 50. For all advertisements published pursuant to this section, the headline shall read: TAX IMPACT OF VALUE ADJUSTMENT BOARD. The public notice shall list the members of the value adjustment board and the taxing authorities to which they are elected. The form shall show, in columnar form, for each of the property classes listed under subsection (2), the following information, with appropriate column totals:

(a) In the first column, the number of parcels for which the board granted exemptions that had been denied or that had not been acted upon by the property appraiser.

(b) In the second column, the number of parcels for which petitions were filed concerning a property tax exemption.

964 (c) In the third column, the number of parcels for which 965 the board considered the petition and reduced the assessment 966 from that made by the property appraiser on the initial 967 assessment roll.

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968 (d) In the fourth column, the number of parcels for which 969 petitions were filed but not considered by the board because 970 such petitions were withdrawn or settled <u>before</u> prior to the 971 board's consideration.

(e) In the fifth column, the number of parcels for which petitions were filed requesting a change in assessed value, including requested changes in assessment classification.

(f) In the sixth column, the net change in taxable value from the assessor's initial roll which results from board decisions.

(g) In the seventh column, the net shift in taxes to parcels not granted relief by the board. The shift shall be computed as the amount shown in column 6 multiplied by the applicable millage rates adopted by the taxing authorities in hearings held pursuant to s. 200.065(2)(d) or adopted by vote of the electors pursuant to s. 9(b) or s. 12, Art. VII of the State Constitution, but without adjustment as authorized pursuant to s. 200.065(6). If for any taxing authority the hearing has not been completed at the time the notice required herein is prepared, the millage rate used shall be that adopted in the hearing held pursuant to s. 200.065(2)(c).

Section 23. Subsection (1) of section 197.402, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1 197.402 Advertisement of real or personal property with 2 delinquent taxes.-

993 (1) If advertisements are required, the board of county 994 commissioners shall <u>make such notice</u> select the newspaper as 995 provided in chapter 50. The tax collector shall pay all 996 newspaper charges, and the proportionate cost of the

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997 advertisements shall be added to the delinquent taxes collected. 998 Section 24. Subsection (3) of section 200.065, Florida 999 Statutes, is amended to read:

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200.065 Method of fixing millage.-

1001 (3) The advertisement shall be published as provided in 1002 chapter 50. If the advertisement is published in a newspaper, 1003 the advertisement must be no less than one-quarter page in size 1004 of a standard size or a tabloid size newspaper, and the headline 1005 in the advertisement shall be in a type no smaller than 18 1006 point. The advertisement shall not be placed in that portion of 1007 the newspaper where legal notices and classified advertisements 1008 appear. The advertisement shall be published in a newspaper of 1009 general paid circulation in the county or in a geographically 1010 limited insert of such newspaper. The geographic boundaries in 1011 which such insert is circulated shall include the geographic 1012 boundaries of the taxing authority. It is the legislative intent 1013 that, whenever possible, the advertisement appear in a newspaper 1014 that is published at least weekly 5 days a week unless the only 1015 newspaper in the county is published less than weekly 5 days a 1016 week, or that the advertisement appear in a geographically 1017 limited insert of such newspaper which insert is published 1018 throughout the taxing authority's jurisdiction at least twice 1019 each week. It is further the legislative intent that the 1020 newspaper selected be one of general interest and readership in 1021 the community and not one of limited subject matter, pursuant to 1022 chapter 50.

(a) For taxing authorities other than school districts
which have tentatively adopted a millage rate in excess of 100
percent of the rolled-back rate computed pursuant to subsection

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1026	(1), the advertisement shall be in the following form:
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1028	NOTICE OF PROPOSED TAX INCREASE
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1030	The (name of the taxing authority) has tentatively
1031	adopted a measure to increase its property tax levy.
1032	Last year's property tax levy:
1033	A. Initially proposed tax levy\$XX,XXX,XXX
1034	B. Less tax reductions due to Value Adjustment Board and
1035	other assessment changes(\$XX,XXX,XXX)
1036	C. Actual property tax levy\$XX,XXX,XXX
1037	This year's proposed tax levy\$XX,XXX,XXX
1038	All concerned citizens are invited to attend a public
1039	hearing on the tax increase to be held on \dots (date and time)
1040	at(meeting place)
1041	A FINAL DECISION on the proposed tax increase and the
1042	budget will be made at this hearing.
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1044	(b) In all instances in which the provisions of paragraph
1045	(a) are inapplicable for taxing authorities other than school
1046	districts, the advertisement shall be in the following form:
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1048	NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING
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1050	The (name of taxing authority) has tentatively
1051	adopted a budget for(fiscal year) A public hearing to
1052	make a FINAL DECISION on the budget AND TAXES will be held on
1053	(date and time) at(meeting place)
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1055 (c) For school districts which have proposed a millage rate 1056 in excess of 100 percent of the rolled-back rate computed 1057 pursuant to subsection (1) and which propose to levy nonvoted 1058 millage in excess of the minimum amount required pursuant to s. 1059 1011.60(6), the advertisement shall be in the following form: 1060 1061 NOTICE OF PROPOSED TAX INCREASE 1062 1063 The ... (name of school district) ... will soon consider a 1064 measure to increase its property tax levy. 1065 Last year's property tax levy: A. Initially proposed tax levy.....\$XX,XXX,XXX 1066 1067 B. Less tax reductions due to Value Adjustment Board and 1068 other assessment changes......(\$XX,XXX,XXX) 1069 C. Actual property tax levy.....\$XX,XXX,XXX 1070 This year's proposed tax levy.....\$XX,XXX,XXX 1071 A portion of the tax levy is required under state law in 1072 order for the school board to receive \$... (amount A)... in state 1073 education grants. The required portion has ... (increased or 1074 decreased)... by ... (amount B)... percent and represents 1075 approximately ... (amount C) ... of the total proposed taxes. 1076 The remainder of the taxes is proposed solely at the 1077 discretion of the school board. 1078 All concerned citizens are invited to a public hearing on 1079 the tax increase to be held on ... (date and time) ... at 1080 ... (meeting place) 1081 A DECISION on the proposed tax increase and the budget will 1082 be made at this hearing. 1. AMOUNT A shall be an estimate, provided by the 1083

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1084 Department of Education, of the amount to be received in the 1085 current fiscal year by the district from state appropriations 1086 for the Florida Education Finance Program.

2. AMOUNT B shall be the percent increase over the rolledback rate necessary to levy only the required local effort in the current fiscal year, computed as though in the preceding fiscal year only the required local effort was levied.

3. AMOUNT C shall be the quotient of required local-effort millage divided by the total proposed nonvoted millage, rounded to the nearest tenth and stated in words; however, the stated amount shall not exceed nine-tenths.

(d) For school districts which have proposed a millage rate in excess of 100 percent of the rolled-back rate computed pursuant to subsection (1) and which propose to levy as nonvoted millage only the minimum amount required pursuant to s. 1011.60(6), the advertisement shall be the same as provided in paragraph (c), except that the second and third paragraphs shall be replaced with the following paragraph:

This increase is required under state law in order for the school board to receive \$...(amount A)... in state education grants.

(e) In all instances in which the provisions of paragraphs (c) and (d) are inapplicable for school districts, the advertisement shall be in the following form:

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1113 The ... (name of school district) ... will soon consider a 1114 budget for ... (fiscal year) A public hearing to make a 1115 1116 DECISION on the budget AND TAXES will be held on ... (date and 1117 time)... at ... (meeting place).... 1118 1119 (f) In lieu of publishing the notice set out in this 1120 subsection, the taxing authority may mail a copy of the notice 1121 to each elector residing within the jurisdiction of the taxing 1122 authority. 1123 (g) In the event that the mailing of the notice of proposed 1124 property taxes is delayed beyond September 3 in a county, any 1125 multicounty taxing authority which levies ad valorem taxes 1126 within that county shall advertise its intention to adopt a 1127 tentative budget and millage rate in a newspaper of paid general 1128 circulation within that county, as provided in this subsection, 1129 and shall hold the hearing required pursuant to paragraph (2)(c) 1130 not less than 2 days or more than 5 days thereafter, and not 1131 later than September 18. The advertisement shall be in the 1132 following form, unless the proposed millage rate is less than or 1133 equal to the rolled-back rate, computed pursuant to subsection 1134 (1), in which case the advertisement shall be as provided in 1135 paragraph (e):

NOTICE OF TAX INCREASE

1139 The ... (name of the taxing authority)... proposes to 1140 increase its property tax levy by ... (percentage of increase 1141 over rolled-back rate)... percent.

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1142All concerned citizens are invited to attend a public1143hearing on the proposed tax increase to be held on ...(date and1144time)... at ...(meeting place)....

1146 (h) In no event shall any taxing authority add to or delete from the language of the advertisements as specified herein 1147 unless expressly authorized by law, except that, if an increase 1148 1149 in ad valorem tax rates will affect only a portion of the 1150 jurisdiction of a taxing authority, advertisements may include a 1151 map or geographical description of the area to be affected and 1152 the proposed use of the tax revenues under consideration. In 1153 addition, if published in the newspaper, the map must be part of 1154 the online advertisement required by s. 50.0211 or s. 50.0311. 1155 The advertisements required herein shall not be accompanied, 1156 preceded, or followed by other advertising or notices which 1157 conflict with or modify the substantive content prescribed 1158 herein.

(i) The advertisements required pursuant to paragraphs (b)and (e) need not be one-quarter page in size or have a headlinein type no smaller than 18 point.

(j) The amounts to be published as percentages of increase over the rolled-back rate pursuant to this subsection shall be based on aggregate millage rates and shall exclude voted millage levies unless expressly provided otherwise in this subsection.

(k) Any taxing authority which will levy an ad valorem tax for an upcoming budget year but does not levy an ad valorem tax currently shall, in the advertisement specified in paragraph (a), paragraph (c), paragraph (d), or paragraph (g), replace the phrase "increase its property tax levy by ... (percentage of

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1171 increase over rolled-back rate)... percent" with the phrase
1172 "impose a new property tax levy of \$...(amount)... per \$1,000
1173 value."

(1) Any advertisement required pursuant to this section shall be accompanied by an adjacent notice meeting the budget summary requirements of s. 129.03(3)(b). Except for those taxing authorities proposing to levy ad valorem taxes for the first time, the following statement shall appear in the budget summary in boldfaced type immediately following the heading, if the applicable percentage is greater than zero:

THE PROPOSED OPERATING BUDGET EXPENDITURES OF ... (name of taxing authority)... ARE ... (percent rounded to one decimal place)... MORE THAN LAST YEAR'S TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURES.

1186 For purposes of this paragraph, "proposed operating budget 1187 expenditures" or "operating expenditures" means all moneys of 1188 the local government, including dependent special districts, 1189 that:

1. Were or could be expended during the applicable fiscal year, or

2. Were or could be retained as a balance for future spending in the fiscal year.

1195 Provided, however, those moneys held in or used in trust, 1196 agency, or internal service funds, and expenditures of bond 1197 proceeds for capital outlay or for advanced refunded debt 1198 principal, shall be excluded.

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1200 338.223, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 1201 338.223 Proposed turnpike projects.-1202 (1)1203 (c) Before Prior to requesting legislative approval of a 1204 proposed turnpike project, the environmental feasibility of the 1205 proposed project shall be reviewed by the Department of 1206 Environmental Protection. The department shall submit its 1207 Project Development and Environmental Report to the Department 1208 of Environmental Protection, along with a draft copy of a public 1209 notice. Within 14 days of receipt of the draft public notice, 1210 the Department of Environmental Protection shall return the 1211 draft public notice to the Department of Transportation with an 1212 approval of the language or modifications to the language. Upon 1213 receipt of the approved or modified draft, or if no comments are 1214 provided within 14 days, the Department of Transportation shall 1215 publish the notice as provided in chapter 50 in a newspaper to 1216 provide a 30-day public comment period. If published in a 1217 newspaper, the headline of the required notice shall be in a 1218 type no smaller than 18 point. The notice shall be placed in 1219 that portion of the newspaper where legal notices appear and. 1220 The notice shall be published in a newspaper of general 1221 circulation in the county or counties of general interest and 1222 readership in the community as provided in s. 50.031, not one of 1223 limited subject matter. Whenever possible, the notice shall 1224 appear in a newspaper that is published at least weekly 5 days a 1225 week. All The notices notice published pursuant to this section 1226 shall include, at a minimum but is not limited to, the following 1227 information: 1. The purpose of the notice is to provide for a 30-day 1228

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1229 period for written public comments on the environmental impacts
1230 of a proposed turnpike project.

1231 2. The name and description of the project, along with a 1232 geographic location map clearly indicating the area where the 1233 proposed project will be located.

3. The address where such comments must be sent and the date such comments are due.

1237 After a review of the department's report and any public 1238 comments, the Department of Environmental Protection shall 1239 submit a statement of environmental feasibility to the 1240 department within 30 days after the date on which public 1241 comments are due. The notice and the statement of environmental 1242 feasibility shall not give rise to any rights to a hearing or 1243 other rights or remedies provided pursuant to chapter 120 or 1244 chapter 403, and shall not bind the Department of Environmental 1245 Protection in any subsequent environmental permit review.

Section 26. Subsection (3) of section 348.0308, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

348.0308 Public-private partnership.—The Legislature declares that there is a public need for the rapid construction of safe and efficient transportation facilities for traveling within the state and that it is in the public's interest to provide for public-private partnership agreements to effectuate the construction of additional safe, convenient, and economical transportation facilities.

(3) The agency may request proposals for public-private
transportation projects or, if it receives an unsolicited
proposal, it must publish a notice in the Florida Administrative

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1258 Register and as provided in chapter 50 a newspaper of general 1259 circulation in the county in which it is located at least once a 1260 week for 2 weeks stating that it has received the proposal and 1261 will accept, for 60 days after the initial date of publication, 1262 other proposals for the same project purpose. A copy of the 1263 notice must be mailed to each local government in the affected 1264 areas. After the public notification period has expired, the 1265 agency shall rank the proposals in order of preference. In 1266 ranking the proposals, the agency shall consider professional 1267 qualifications, general business terms, innovative engineering 1268 or cost-reduction terms, finance plans, and the need for state 1269 funds to deliver the proposal. If the agency is not satisfied 1270 with the results of the negotiations, it may, at its sole 1271 discretion, terminate negotiations with the proposer. If these 1272 negotiations are unsuccessful, the agency may go to the second 1273 and lower-ranked firms, in order, using the same procedure. If 1274 only one proposal is received, the agency may negotiate in good 1275 faith, and if it is not satisfied with the results, it may, at 1276 its sole discretion, terminate negotiations with the proposer. 1277 The agency may, at its discretion, reject all proposals at any 1278 point in the process up to completion of a contract with the 1279 proposer.

1280 Section 27. Subsection (3) of section 348.635, Florida
1281 Statutes, is amended to read:

1282 348.635 Public-private partnership.—The Legislature 1283 declares that there is a public need for the rapid construction 1284 of safe and efficient transportation facilities for traveling 1285 within the state and that it is in the public's interest to 1286 provide for public-private partnership agreements to effectuate



1287 the construction of additional safe, convenient, and economical 1288 transportation facilities.

(3) The authority may request proposals for public-private 1289 1290 transportation projects or, if it receives an unsolicited 1291 proposal, it must publish a notice in the Florida Administrative 1292 Register as provided in chapter 50 and a newspaper of general circulation in the county in which it is located at least once a 1293 1294 week for 2 weeks stating that it has received the proposal and 1295 will accept, for 60 days after the initial date of publication, 1296 other proposals for the same project purpose. A copy of the 1297 notice must be mailed to each local government in the affected 1298 areas. After the public notification period has expired, the 1299 authority shall rank the proposals in order of preference. In 1300 ranking the proposals, the authority shall consider professional 1301 qualifications, general business terms, innovative engineering 1302 or cost-reduction terms, finance plans, and the need for state 1303 funds to deliver the proposal. If the authority is not satisfied 1304 with the results of the negotiations, it may, at its sole 1305 discretion, terminate negotiations with the proposer. If these 1306 negotiations are unsuccessful, the authority may go to the 1307 second and lower-ranked firms, in order, using the same 1308 procedure. If only one proposal is received, the authority may 1309 negotiate in good faith, and if it is not satisfied with the 1310 results, it may, at its sole discretion, terminate negotiations 1311 with the proposer. The authority may, at its discretion, reject 1312 all proposals at any point in the process up to completion of a 1313 contract with the proposer.

1314 Section 28. Subsection (3) of section 348.7605, Florida
1315 Statutes, is amended to read:

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348.7605 Public-private partnership.-The Legislature declares that there is a public need for the rapid construction of safe and efficient transportation facilities for traveling within the state and that it is in the public's interest to provide for public-private partnership agreements to effectuate the construction of additional safe, convenient, and economical transportation facilities.

(3) The authority may request proposals for public-private transportation projects or, if it receives an unsolicited proposal, it must publish a notice in the Florida Administrative Register and as provided in chapter 50 a newspaper of general circulation in the county in which it is located at least once a week for 2 weeks stating that it has received the proposal and will accept, for 60 days after the initial date of publication, other proposals for the same project purpose. A copy of the notice must be mailed to each local government in the affected areas. After the public notification period has expired, the authority shall rank the proposals in order of preference. In ranking the proposals, the authority shall consider professional qualifications, general business terms, innovative engineering or cost-reduction terms, finance plans, and the need for state funds to deliver the proposal. If the authority is not satisfied with the results of the negotiations, it may, at its sole discretion, terminate negotiations with the proposer. If these negotiations are unsuccessful, the authority may go to the second and lower-ranked firms, in order, using the same procedure. If only one proposal is received, the authority may negotiate in good faith, and if it is not satisfied with the results, it may, at its sole discretion, terminate negotiations

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1345 with the proposer. The authority may, at its discretion, reject 1346 all proposals at any point in the process up to completion of a 1347 contract with the proposer.

1348 Section 29. Section 373.0397, Florida Statutes, is amended 1349 to read:

1350 373.0397 Floridan and Biscayne aquifers; designation of 1351 prime groundwater recharge areas.-Upon preparation of an 1352 inventory of prime groundwater recharge areas for the Floridan 1353 or Biscayne aquifers, but before prior to adoption by the 1354 governing board, the water management district shall publish a 1355 legal notice of public hearing on the designated areas for the 1356 Floridan and Biscayne aquifers, with a map delineating the 1357 boundaries of the areas, as provided in newspapers defined in 1358 chapter 50 in each county as having general circulation within 1359 the area to be affected. The notice shall be at least one-fourth 1360 page and shall read as follows:

NOTICE OF PRIME RECHARGE AREA DESIGNATION

1365 The ... (name of taxing authority)... proposes to designate 1366 specific land areas as areas of prime recharge to the ... (name 1367 of aquifer)... Aquifer.

1368All concerned citizens are invited to attend a public1369hearing on the proposed designation to be held on ... (date and1370time)... at ... (meeting place)....

A map of the affected areas follows.

1373 The governing board of the water management district shall adopt

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1374 a designation of prime groundwater recharge areas to the1375 Floridan and Biscayne aquifers by rule within 120 days after the1376 public hearing, subject to the provisions of chapter 120.

Section 30. Section 373.146, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

373.146 Publication of notices, process, and papers.-

(1) Whenever in this chapter the publication of any notice, process, or paper is required or provided for, unless otherwise provided by law, the publication thereof in some newspaper or newspapers as provided defined in chapter 50 in each county having general circulation within the area to be affected shall be taken and considered as being sufficient.

1386 (2) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the 1387 contrary, and except in the case of emergency meetings, water 1388 management districts may provide reasonable notice of public 1389 meetings held to evaluate responses to solicitations issued by 1390 the water management district, by publication as provided in chapter 50 in a newspaper of general paid circulation in the 1391 1392 county where the principal office of the water management 1393 district is located, or in the county or counties where the 1394 public work will be performed, no less than 7 days before such 1395 meeting.

1396 Section 31. Subsection (12) of section 403.722, Florida
1397 Statutes, is amended to read:

1398 403.722 Permits; hazardous waste disposal, storage, and 1399 treatment facilities.-

(12) On the same day of filing with the department of an application for a permit for the construction modification, or operation of a hazardous waste facility, the applicant shall

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1403 notify each city and county within 1 mile of the facility of the 1404 filing of the application and shall publish notice of the filing 1405 of the application. The applicant shall publish a second notice 1406 of the filing within 14 days after the date of filing. Each 1407 notice shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation 1408 in the county in which the facility is located or is proposed to be located as provided in chapter 50. Notwithstanding the 1409 1410 provisions of chapter 50, for purposes of this section, a 1411 "newspaper of general circulation" shall be the newspaper within 1412 the county in which the installation or facility is proposed 1413 which has the largest daily circulation in that county and has 1414 its principal office in that county. If the newspaper with the 1415 largest daily circulation has its principal office outside the 1416 county, the notice shall appear in both the newspaper with the 1417 largest daily circulation in that county, and a newspaper 1418 authorized to publish legal notices in that county. The notice 1419 shall contain: 1420 (a) The name of the applicant and a brief description of 1421 the project and its location. 1422 (b) The location of the application file and when it is 1423 available for public inspection. 1424 1425 The notice shall be prepared by the applicant and shall comply 1426 with the following format: 1427 1428 Notice of Application 1429 The Department of Environmental Protection announces receipt of an application for a permit from ... (name of applicant)... to 1430

1431 ... (brief description of project).... This proposed project will

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1432	be located at(location) in(county)(city)
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1434	This application is being processed and is available for public
1435	inspection during normal business hours, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.,
1436	Monday through Friday, except legal holidays, at(name and
1437	address of office)
1438	Section 32. Paragraph (b) of subsection (3) of section
1439	712.06, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
1440	712.06 Contents of notice; recording and indexing
1441	(3) The person providing the notice referred to in s.
1442	712.05, other than a notice for preservation of a community
1443	covenant or restriction, shall:
1444	(b) Publish the notice referred to in s. 712.05 for 2
1445	consecutive weeks on the legal notice website as provided in s.
1446	50.0311, or once a week, for 2 consecutive weeks in a newspaper
1447	as defined in chapter 50, the notice referred to in s. 712.05,
1448	with the official record book and page number in which such
1449	notice was recorded, in a newspaper as defined in chapter 50 in
1450	the county in which the property is located.
1451	Section 33. Subsection (5) of section 849.38, Florida
1452	Statutes, is amended to read:
1453	849.38 Proceedings for forfeiture; notice of seizure and
1454	order to show cause
1455	(5) If the value of the property seized is shown by the
1456	sheriff's return to have an appraised value of \$1,000 or less,
1457	the above citation shall be served by posting at three public
1458	places in the county, one of which shall be the front door of
1459	the courthouse; if the value of the property is shown by the
1460	sheriff's return to have an approximate value of more than

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1461	\$1,000, the citation shall be published for at least 2
1462	consecutive weeks on the legal notice website as provided in s.
1463	50.0311 or at least once each week for 2 consecutive weeks in
1464	some newspaper of general publication published in the county,
1465	if there be such a newspaper published in the county and if not,
1466	then said notice of such publication shall be made by
1467	certificate of the clerk if publication is made by posting, and
1468	by affidavit as provided in chapter 50, if made by publication
1469	as provided in chapter 50 in a newspaper, which affidavit or
1470	certificate shall be filed and become a part of the record in
1471	the cause. Failure of the record to show proof of such
1472	publication shall not affect any judgment made in the cause
1473	unless it shall affirmatively appear that no such publication
1474	was made.
1475	Section 34. Paragraph (a) of subsection (3) of section
1476	865.09, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
1477	865.09 Fictitious name registration
1478	(3) REGISTRATION
1479	(a) A person may not engage in business under a fictitious
1480	name unless the person first registers the name with the
1481	division by filing a registration listing:
1482	1. The name to be registered.
1483	2. The mailing address of the business.
1484	3. The name and address of each registrant.
1485	4. If the registrant is a business entity that was required
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1487	organization when it was organized, such entity must be
1488	registered with the division and in active status with the
1489	division; provide its Florida document registration number; and
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1490 provide its federal employer identification number if the entity 1491 has such a number.

1492 5. Certification by at least one registrant that the 1493 intention to register such fictitious name has been advertised 1494 <u>as provided</u> at least once in a newspaper as defined in chapter 1495 50 in the county in which the principal place of business of the 1496 registrant is or will be located.

6. Any other information the division may reasonably deem necessary to adequately inform other governmental agencies and the public as to the registrant so conducting business.

Section 35. Paragraph (a) of subsection (6) of section 932.704, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

932.704 Forfeiture proceedings.-

1503 (6) (a) If the property is required by law to be titled or 1504 registered, or if the owner of the property is known in fact to 1505 the seizing agency, or if the seized property is subject to a 1506 perfected security interest in accordance with the Uniform 1507 Commercial Code, chapter 679, the attorney for the seizing 1508 agency shall serve the forfeiture complaint as an original 1509 service of process under the Florida Rules of Civil Procedure 1510 and other applicable law to each person having an ownership or 1511 security interest in the property. The seizing agency shall also 1512 publish, in accordance with chapter 50, notice of the forfeiture 1513 complaint for 2 consecutive weeks on the legal notice website as 1514 provided in s. 50.0311 or once each week for 2 consecutive weeks 1515 in a newspaper of general circulation, as defined in s. 165.031, 1516 in the county where the seizure occurred.

Section 36. This act shall take effect July 1, 2022.

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1520	And the title is amended as follows:
1521	Delete everything before the enacting clause
1522	and insert:
1523	A bill to be entitled
1524	An act relating to legal notices; creating s. 28.46,
1525	F.S.; requiring the Florida Association of Court
1526	Clerks and Comptrollers, Inc., to establish and
1527	maintain an Internet database regarding financial
1528	obligations owed by felons; specifying requirements
1529	for the database; amending s. 50.011, F.S.; providing
1530	for the publication of legal notices on a legal notice
1531	database website established by the association;
1532	amending ss. 50.021, 50.0211, and 50.031, F.S.;
1533	conforming provisions to changes made by the act;
1534	creating s. 50.0311, F.S.; defining terms; authorizing
1535	certain legal notices and advertisements to be
1536	published on the legal notice database website
1537	established by the association, in lieu of newspaper
1538	publication; providing that such legal notifications
1539	be posted to the website following payment of a fee;
1540	providing limitations for, and for the adjustment of,
1541	such fees; specifying what constitutes adequate notice
1542	for any notice or advertisement posted on the website;
1543	providing requirements and limitations regarding the
1544	operation of the website; providing that certain
1545	revenue be used toward the association's felon
1546	financial obligations website; providing for the
1547	deposit of any remaining excess revenue into specified



1548 trust funds; specifying that a certain portion of 1549 remaining excess revenue may be pledged toward operating costs of the legal notice website; amending 1550 1551 s. 50.041, F.S.; removing provisions relating to the 1552 publication of legal notices in newspapers; amending 1553 s. 50.051, F.S.; revising a form for affidavits of 1554 publication; amending s. 50.0711, F.S.; revising 1555 provisions relating to the use of court docket funds; 1556 amending s. 83.806, F.S.; providing that an 1557 advertisement of a sale or disposition of property may 1558 be published on the legal notice website for a 1559 specified time period; amending s. 775.089, F.S.; 1560 revising provisions governing the collection and 1561 disbursement of restitution payments; requiring the 1562 Department of Collections to report certain 1563 restitution data to the association for display on the 1564 felon financial obligations website; amending ss. 1565 11.02, 45.031, 121.0511, 121.055, 125.66, 162.12, 166.041, 189.015, 190.005, 190.046, 194.037, 197.402, 1566 1567 200.065, 338.223, 348.0308, 348.635, 348.7605, 1568 373.0397, 373.146, 403.722, 712.06, 849.38, 865.09, 1569 and 932.704, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes 1570 made by the act; providing an effective date.

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