The Florida Senate 2021 Summary of Legislation Passed Committee on Environment and Natural Resources

HB 169 — Purchase of Commodities and Services by Water Management Districts

by Rep. Maggard and others (SB 952 by Senator Burgess)

The bill expressly authorizes water management districts to purchase commodities and contractual services from the purchasing contracts of the following entities:

- Special Districts
- Municipalities
- Counties
- Other political subdivisions
- Educational institutions
- Other states
- Nonprofit entities
- Purchasing cooperatives
- The federal government

The purchasing contract of the other entity must have been procured pursuant to competitive bid, request for proposal, request for qualification, competitive selection, or competitive negotiation. The purchasing contract must otherwise be in compliance with general law and must be procured by a process that meets the procurements requirements of the water management district. The bill excludes from the authorization services by professionals in the fields of architecture, professional engineering, landscape architecture, or registered surveying and mapping.

If approved by the Governor, these provisions take effect July 1, 2021. *Vote: Senate 40-0; House 117-1*