A bill to be entitled

An act relating to Volusia County; amending ch. 70-966, Laws of Florida, which establishes the charter government of the county; establishing nonpartisan election of school board members; ratifying the referendum election; providing for the provisions of this bill to control in the event of a conflict with other laws; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Chapter 70-966, Laws of Florida, as amended by section 2 of chapter 70-967, Laws of Florida, is amended to read:

16 Article IX. ELECTIONS.

Section 904. Nonpartisan Elections. Elections for all offices shall be on a nonpartisan basis. No candidates shall be required to pay any party assessment or be required to state the party of which they are a member or the manner in which they voted or will vote in any election. School Board members elected after January 1, 1995, shall be elected on a nonpartisan basis in the manner provided in section 901.1(3) of the Charter. All candidates names shall be placed on the ballot without reference to political party affiliation.

Section 2. The referendum election held in Volusia

County on November 8, 1994, approving the amendment specified in section 1, and all acts and proceedings held in connection with said referendum, are hereby ratified and declared legal and valid.

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           Section 3. Nothing in this act shall be otherwise
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    construed to add to or detract from the power of the people of
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    Volusia County to amend their charter in accordance with the
    Charter and the provisions of s. 1(c), Art. VIII of the State
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           Section 4. In any conflict with the provisions of
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    other laws or portions of laws, the provisions of this act
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           Section 5. This act shall take effect upon becoming a
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