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An act relating to non-ad valorem assessments; amending s. 197.3632, F.S.; changing the time for holding the public hearing at which a non-ad valorem assessment is adopted; prescribing method of notice for non-ad valorem assessments collected for more than 1 year; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subsection (4) and subsection (6) of section 197.3632, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

197.3632 Uniform method for the levy, collection, and enforcement of non-ad valorem assessments.--

- (4)(a) A local government shall adopt a non-ad valorem assessment roll at a public hearing held between January 1 June 1 and September 15 if:
- 1. The non-ad valorem assessment is levied for the first time;
- 2. The non-ad valorem assessment is increased beyond the maximum rate authorized by law or judicial decree at the time of initial imposition;
- The local government's boundaries have changed, unless all newly affected property owners have provided written consent for such assessment to the local governing board; or
- There is a change in the purpose for such assessment or in the use of the revenue generated by such assessment.

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(6) If the non-ad valorem assessment is to be
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    collected for a period of more than 1 year or is to be
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    amortized over a number of years, the local governing board
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    shall so specify and shall not be required to annually adopt
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    other than that which is required under subsection (4), may be
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    provided by including the assessment in the property
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    the local governing board shall inform the property appraiser,
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           Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a
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