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Proposed Committee Substitute by the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability

A bill to be entitled

An act relating to collective bargaining for certain public employees; amending s. 447.203, F.S.; specifying that for purposes of resolving an impasse the sheriff, the tax collector, the property appraiser, the supervisor of elections, and the clerk of the circuit court are each deemed the "legislative body" for their respective employees; providing that in a county that has expressly abolished the office of any constitutional officer, such duties are transferred to the officer as provided for under the county charter if the charter is not inconsistent with general law or a special law approved by a vote of the electors; providing an effective date.

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

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Section 1. Subsection (10) of section 447.203, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

447.203 Definitions.—As used in this part:

(10) "Legislative body" means the State Legislature, the board of county commissioners, the district school board, the governing body of a municipality, or the governing body of an instrumentality or unit of government having authority to appropriate funds and establish policy governing the terms and conditions of employment and which, as the case may be, is the appropriate legislative body for the bargaining unit.



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- (a) For purposes of s. 447.403, the Board of Governors of the State University System, or the board's designee, is shall be deemed to be the legislative body with respect to all employees of each constituent state university.
- (b) For purposes of s. 447.403 the board of trustees of a community college is shall be deemed to be the legislative body with respect to all employees of the community college.
- (c) For purposes of s. 447.403, and as sovereign constitutional officers under s. 1(d), Art. VIII of the State Constitution, the sheriff, tax collector, property appraiser, supervisor of elections, and clerk of the circuit court are each deemed to be the legislative body for their respective employees. However, if provided by a county charter that was approved by a vote of the electors of the county and that expressly abolished the office of the sheriff, tax collector, property appraiser, supervisor of elections, or clerk of the court and expressly transferred all duties prescribed by general law to an elected or appointed charter officer, that officer is subject to such charter if the charter is not inconsistent with general law or with a special law approved by a vote of the electors under s.1(g), Art. VIII of the State Constitution.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2010.