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An act relating to Palm Beach County; amending ch. 74-565, Laws of Florida, as amended; revising the nomination process for appointees to the Building Code Advisory Board of Palm Beach County; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Subsection (1) of section 6 of chapter 74-565, Laws of Florida, as amended by chapter 2001-323, Laws of Florida, is amended to read:

Section 6 Appointments.-

(1) The Board of County Commissioners of Palm Beach County shall appoint the Building Code Advisory Board of Palm Beach County and supply it with a meeting place, office supplies including stationery, legal counsel, technical staff, mechanical recording of its meetings, written transcripts of the minutes of its meetings, secretarial service, and storage space for its records. The board shall have 16 members, composed of 7 building officials, 1 from each commission election district, appointed from nominees submitted by the Building Official's Association of Palm Beach County; 7 members appointed from nominees submitted by the following industry associations: the Associated General Contractors, Florida East Coast Chapter; the Gold Coast

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Builders Association; the Associated Builders and Contractors, Florida East Coast Chapter; the Electrical Council of Florida, Palm Beach Chapter; the Palm Beach County Roofing and Sheet Metal Contractors Association; the Air Conditioning Contractors of America, Palm Beach Chapter; the Plumbing Heating Cooling Contractors Association of Florida, Palm Beach Chapter; or from any other recognized regional industry trade association the Construction Industry Management Council of Palm Beach County; 1 member who shall be a registered architect appointed from nominees submitted by the Palm Beach Chapter of the American Institute of Architects; and 1 member who shall be a professional engineer appointed from nominees submitted by the Palm Beach Chapter of the Florida Engineering Society. All appointments shall be for a term of 3 years, and each member shall serve until his or her successor is appointed. If a vacancy should occur before a term has expired, the Board of County Commissioners shall appoint a new member within 60 days to complete the unexpired term.

(2) Members shall be required to attend all regular and special meetings of the board. The chair of the board shall notify the Board of County Commissioners when a member accumulates three consecutive absences from the regular meetings or when a member fails to attend 50 percent of all meetings of the board during any 12-month period. On such notification, the member shall be removed by the Board of County Commissioners,

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and the Board of County Commissioners shall appoint a new member within 60 days to complete the unexpired term. The board shall hold meetings open to the public at least once in every calendar quarter, adopt rules and procedures, and elect a chair and vice chair. A quorum of the board shall be 10 members, with a concurring vote of 9 members required to approve any action.

Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.

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