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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to district school board elections; amending s. 1001.361, F.S.; providing that an elected candidate for district school board must reside in the district school board member residence area by the date she or he assumes office instead of upon qualifying for office; making technical changes; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Section 1001.361, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1001.361 Election of board by districtwide vote.-Notwithstanding any provision of local law or any county charter, the election of members of the district school board must shall be by vote of the qualified electors of the entire district in a nonpartisan election as provided in chapter 105. Each elected candidate for district school board member must shall, by the date at the time she or he assumes office qualifies, be a resident of the district school board member residence area from which $\underline{\text{she or he was elected}}$ $\underline{\text{the candidate}}$ seeks election. Each candidate who qualifies to have her or his name placed on the ballot must shall be listed according to the district school board member residence area in which she or he is a candidate resides. Each qualified elector of the district is shall be entitled to vote for one candidate from each district school board member residence area. The candidate from each district school board member residence area who receives

11-00362-23 2023444 30 the highest number of votes in the general election shall be 31 elected to the district school board. Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2023. 32