



117522

LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate

.

House

.

.

Floor: 1/AD/2R

.

02/19/2026 10:37 AM

.

.

---

Senators Boyd and Garcia moved the following:

**Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

Before line 22

insert:

Section 1. Section 258.393, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

258.393 Terra Ceia Aquatic Preserve ~~wastewater or effluent discharge activities.~~-

(1) The following described area in Manatee County is hereby designated by the Legislature for inclusion in the aquatic preserve system under the Florida Aquatic Preserve Act



12 of 1975. Such area, to be known as the Terra Ceia Aquatic  
13 Preserve, shall be included in the aquatic preserve system and  
14 shall include the following described real property: Begin at a  
15 point 165 feet north of the southwest corner of the northwest  
16 quarter of Section 12, Township 33 South, Range 17 East, Manatee  
17 County, thence run west to the mean high-water line of Tampa  
18 Bay, said point being the point of beginning. From said point of  
19 beginning, run northwesterly into the waters of Tampa Bay and  
20 parallel to the Port Manatee ship channel to the Manatee-  
21 Hillsborough county line; thence run southwest along the  
22 Manatee-Hillsborough county line to its intersection with the  
23 Intracoastal Waterway; thence run south-southwesterly along the  
24 Intracoastal Waterway to a point on a line connecting the  
25 westernmost tip of Snead Island (Manatee County) to the  
26 southernmost tip of Mullet Key (Pinellas County); thence run  
27 southeasterly along said line to the westernmost tip of Snead  
28 Island (also known as Emerson Point); thence run in a  
29 northeasterly direction along the mean high-water line of Tampa  
30 Bay, Terra Ceia Bay, where the mean high water line intersects  
31 the north line of U.S. Government Lot 4, Section 16, Township 34  
32 South, Range 17 East; thence east along the said north line of  
33 U.S. Government Lot 4 and the easterly extension thereof a  
34 distance of 1,111 feet more or less to the mean high water line  
35 at a seawall; thence meander in a northwesterly, westerly,  
36 northerly direction along the seawall of a canal; thence in a  
37 northeasterly direction along the mean high water line of Miguel  
38 Bay, Joe Bay, and Bishop Harbor to the point of beginning,  
39 including tidal waters of all tributaries; less all privately  
40 titled submerged lands and uplands.



117522

41           (2) Wastewater or effluent discharge activities from an  
42 existing stationary facility or existing stationary installation  
43 which has been approved pursuant to state law or federal law or  
44 for which facility or installation an application has been filed  
45 before June 24, 1984, are exempt from the requirements of this  
46 chapter.

47           (3) No further dredging or filling of the submerged lands  
48 of the Terra Ceia Aquatic Preserve shall be approved or  
49 tolerated by the board except:

50           (a) Such minimum dredging and spoiling as may be authorized  
51 for public navigation projects or for such minimum dredging and  
52 spoiling as may be constituted as a public necessity.

53           (b) Such other alteration of physical conditions, including  
54 the placement of riprap, as may be necessary to enhance the  
55 quality and utility of the preserve.

56           (c) Such dredging as is necessary for the purpose of  
57 eliminating conditions hazardous to the public health or for the  
58 purpose of eliminating stagnant waters, islands, and spoil  
59 banks, the dredging of which would enhance the aesthetic and  
60 environmental quality and utility of the preserve and be clearly  
61 in the public interest as determined by the board.

62           (d) Such minimum dredging and filling as may be authorized  
63 for the creation and maintenance of marinas, public boat ramps,  
64 piers, and docks and their attendant navigation channels and  
65 access roads. Such projects may be authorized only upon a  
66 specific finding by the board that there is assurance that the  
67 project will be constructed and operated in a manner that will  
68 not adversely affect the water quality and utility of the  
69 preserve. This paragraph may not be construed to authorize the



117522

70 connection of upland canals to the waters of the preserve.

71  
72 Any dredging and filling pursuant to paragraph (a), paragraph  
73 (b), or paragraph (c) shall be approved by the board only after  
74 public notice as provided in s. 253.115.

75  
76 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

77 And the title is amended as follows:

78 Delete line 2

79 and insert:

80 An act relating to coastal resiliency; amending s.  
81 258.393, F.S.; prohibiting the Board of Trustees of  
82 the Internal Improvement Trust Fund from approving the  
83 dredging or filling of the submerged lands of the  
84 Terra Ceia Aquatic Preserve unless such dredging and  
85 filling occurs for certain reasons; requiring public  
86 notice for the approval of dredging and filling for  
87 certain reasons;