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1                                   A bill to be entitled  
 2           An act relating to Lee County Mosquito Control  
 3           District and Fort Myers Beach Mosquito Control  
 4           District, Lee County; revising boundaries; repealing  
 5           ch. 2001-335, Laws of Florida; providing for merger of  
 6           the districts; transferring assets and liabilities;  
 7           requiring a referendum; providing ballot title and  
 8           question; providing an effective date.

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

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 12           Section 1. Section 1 of chapter 98-461, Laws of Florida, is  
 13 amended to read:

14           Section 1. Continuation of a mosquito control district.—  
 15 There is hereby provided for the continuation of the Lee County  
 16 Mosquito Control District, an independent special district, the  
 17 boundaries of which shall include all territory of Lee County.  
 18 ~~except the following described area:~~

19                                   DESCRIPTION

20           ~~A tract or parcel of land lying in parts of Township 46~~  
 21           ~~South, Range 24 East and Township 46 South, Range 24 East~~  
 22           ~~and part of Township 47 South, Range 24 East, Lee County,~~  
 23           ~~Florida, which tract or parcel, containing 14,615 acres~~  
 24           ~~more or less, is described as follows:~~

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26 ~~BEGINNING at the southeast corner of Section 24, Township~~  
 27 ~~46 South, Range 24 East, running westerly along the south~~  
 28 ~~line of said section for 2,700 feet more or less to the~~  
 29 ~~waters of Estero Bay;~~

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 31 ~~THENCE run southwesterly along a northwesterly line across~~  
 32 ~~the waters of Estero Bay for 8,300 feet to a point of~~  
 33 ~~intersection;~~

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 35 ~~THENCE run southerly along a westerly line across said Bay~~  
 36 ~~and Starvation Flats for 4,200 feet more or less to a point~~  
 37 ~~of intersection;~~

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 39 ~~THENCE run southeasterly, southerly and southwesterly along~~  
 40 ~~a westerly line of said area running across said Bay and~~  
 41 ~~Big Carlos Pass for 10,000 feet more or less;~~

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 43 ~~THENCE run northwesterly across Big Carlos Pass and along~~  
 44 ~~the shoreline of Estero Island for 6,100 feet more or less~~  
 45 ~~to a point of intersection;~~

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 47 ~~THENCE continue northwesterly along said shoreline for~~  
 48 ~~3,200 feet more or less to a point of intersection;~~

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 50 ~~THENCE continue along said shoreline northwesterly for~~

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51 ~~22,800 feet more or less to a point of intersection;~~  
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 53 ~~THENCE run northwesterly along said shoreline for 3,900~~  
 54 ~~feet more or less to a point of intersection;~~  
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 56 ~~THENCE run northwesterly along said shoreline and across~~  
 57 ~~San Carlos Bay for 8,000 feet more or less to the~~  
 58 ~~intersection of a westerly prolongation of the north line~~  
 59 ~~of Section 13, Township 46 South, Range 23 East and the~~  
 60 ~~waters of San Carlos Bay;~~  
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 62 ~~THENCE run easterly along said prolongation and said north~~  
 63 ~~line and the north line of Sections 18, 17, 16, 15, 14, and~~  
 64 ~~13 to the northeast corner of said Section 13, Township 46~~  
 65 ~~South, Range 24 East;~~  
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 67 ~~THENCE run southerly along the easterly line of said~~  
 68 ~~Section 13 and Section 24, Township 46 South, Range 24~~  
 69 ~~East, for 10,600 feet more or less to the Point of~~  
 70 ~~Beginning.~~  
 71 Section 2. Chapter 2001-335, Laws of Florida, is repealed  
 72 effective October 1, 2024.  
 73 Section 3. As of the effective date of this act, the Fort  
 74 Myers Beach Mosquito Control District is merged into the Lee  
 75 County Mosquito Control District. All assets and liabilities of

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76 Fort Myers Beach Mosquito Control District as of that date shall  
 77 be transferred to the Lee County Mosquito Control District.

78 Section 4. Referendum.-

79 (1) The referendum election called for by this act shall be  
 80 held on November 5, 2024, the 2024 general election.

81 (2) The ballot title for the referendum question shall be  
 82 in substantially the following form:

83 REVISING BOUNDARIES OF LEE COUNTY MOSQUITO CONTROL DISTRICT  
 84 TO INCLUDE ALL OF LEE COUNTY

85 (3) The referendum question shall be placed on the ballot  
 86 in substantially the following form:

87 Shall Chapter 2024- , Laws of Florida, amending the  
 88 boundaries of the Lee County Mosquito Control District to  
 89 include all of Lee County, abolishing the Fort Myers Beach  
 90 Mosquito Control District, and transferring the assets and  
 91 liabilities of the Fort Myers Beach Mosquito Control  
 92 District to the Lee County Mosquito Control District,  
 93 become effective?

94 ( ) YES.

95 ( ) NO.

96 (4) In the event this question is answered affirmatively by  
 97 a majority of the qualified voters voting in the referendum, the  
 98 special act will take effect. The referendum election shall be  
 99 conducted by the Supervisor of Elections of Lee County in  
 100 accordance with the Florida Election Code.

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101 Section 5. This act shall take effect upon its approval by  
102 a majority vote of the qualified electors of Lee County voting  
103 in a referendum conducted in accordance with the provisions of  
104 law relating to elections currently in force, except that  
105 section and section 4 shall take effect upon becoming a law.

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