

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to the Central Florida Regional
 3 Transportation Authority; amending s. 343.63, F.S.;
 4 revising the organization and membership of the
 5 governing board of the authority; providing an
 6 effective date.

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

10 Section 1. Section 343.63, Florida Statutes, is amended to
 11 read:

12 343.63 Central Florida Regional Transportation Authority.—

13 (1) There is created and established a body politic and
 14 corporate, an agency of the state, to be known as the "Central
 15 Florida Regional Transportation Authority," hereinafter referred
 16 to as the "authority."

17 (2) The governing board of the authority shall consist of
 18 nine voting members as follows:

19 (a) The mayor of the City of Orlando shall serve for the
 20 full extent of his or her term.

21 (b) The chairs of the boards of county commissioners of
 22 Orange, Osceola, and Seminole Counties shall each appoint
 23 himself or herself or another member of the respective board of
 24 county commissioners.

25 (c) The board of county commissioners of Orange County
 26 shall appoint one member of the board additional to the member

27 appointed pursuant to paragraph (b).

28 (d) The Speaker of the House of Representatives or the
 29 President of the Senate shall appoint one legislator whose
 30 district includes at least a portion of Orange, Osceola, or
 31 Seminole County. The Speaker of the House of Representatives
 32 shall appoint the first legislator to serve following the
 33 effective date of this act. The President of the Senate shall
 34 appoint the next legislator to serve at the expiration of the
 35 first legislator's term. Thereafter the appointment of the
 36 legislator shall continue to alternate between the Speaker of
 37 the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate. A
 38 vacancy occurring during a term must be filled by appointment by
 39 the presiding officer who appointed the member whose vacancy is
 40 to be filled.

41 (e) The Governor shall appoint three citizen members, one
 42 of whom shall be a citizen of Orange County, one of whom shall
 43 be a citizen of Osceola County, and one of whom shall be a
 44 citizen of Seminole County.

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 46 Appointed members shall serve for 2 years, except that each
 47 citizen member appointed by the Governor shall serve for 3
 48 years. An appointed member's term expires December 31 of his or
 49 her last year of service. The terms of standing board members
 50 expire on the effective date of this act. Each appointed member
 51 shall hold office until his or her successor is appointed and
 52 qualified. A vacancy occurring during a term must be filled for

53 only the balance of the unexpired term. Each appointed member of
 54 the board shall be a person of outstanding reputation for
 55 integrity, responsibility, and business ability. Except as
 56 provided in this subsection, a person who is an officer or
 57 employee of a municipality or county may not be an appointed
 58 member of the board. Any member of the board is eligible for
 59 reappointment.

60 (3) The district secretary of the Department of
 61 Transportation district within the area served by the authority
 62 shall serve as a nonvoting advisor to the governing board of the
 63 authority.

64 (4) The governing board of the authority shall elect a
 65 chair, vice chair, and treasurer from among its membership, who
 66 shall each hold his or her office at the pleasure of the board.
 67 Five members of the board constitute a quorum, and the vote of
 68 five members is necessary for any action taken by the board. A
 69 vacancy on the board does not impair the right of a quorum to
 70 exercise all rights and perform all duties of the authority.

71 ~~(2) The governing board of the authority shall consist of~~
 72 ~~five voting members as follows:~~

73 ~~(a) The chairs of the county commissions of Seminole,~~
 74 ~~Orange, and Osceola Counties, or another member of the~~
 75 ~~commission designated by the county chair, shall each serve as a~~
 76 ~~representative on the board for the full extent of his or her~~
 77 ~~term.~~

78 ~~(b) The mayor of the City of Orlando, or a member of the~~

79 ~~Orlando City Council designated by the mayor, shall serve as a~~
 80 ~~representative on the board for the full extent of his or her~~
 81 ~~term.~~

82 ~~(c) The Secretary of Transportation shall appoint the~~
 83 ~~district secretary, or his or her designee, for the district~~
 84 ~~within which the area served by the authority is located and~~
 85 ~~this member shall be a voting member.~~

86 ~~(3) A vacancy during a term shall be filled in the same~~
 87 ~~manner as the original appointment and only for the balance of~~
 88 ~~the unexpired term.~~

89 (5)~~(4)~~ The members of the authority shall not be entitled
 90 to compensation, but shall be reimbursed for travel expenses
 91 actually incurred in their duties as provided by law.

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