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TALLAHASSEE, Fla. – Today, the Florida House of Representatives passed [HB 1495](#) Coral Springs Improvement District, [HB 1499](#) Pine Tree Water Control District, [HB 1501](#) Sunshine Drainage District, and [HB 1503](#) North Springs Improvement District.

Water districts were generally established in the 1960s as special purpose government entities to provide water control services to residents. They are responsible for water treatment, wastewater collection, and storm water management (including canal maintenance, debris removal and drainage) and have the power to levy taxes, special assessments, fees and user charges for use of district facilities.

These bills revise the election method for the board members from election by landowners on a one-acre/one-vote basis by electors of the District. Electors in a referendum to be held during the 2022 general election must approve these bills. “By moving to popular (1 person/1 vote) elections, we are increasing accountability and transparency of these districts, many of which have a multi-million dollar budget,” said **Representative Dan Daley**.

The Senate will now vote on these bills before it heads to the Governor's desk for his signature to be signed into law.

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