

CHAPTER 2010-268

Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 1547

An act relating to the Lake Asbury Municipal Service Benefit District, Clay County; amending chapter 86-392, Laws of Florida; authorizing the board of district trustees to increase the cap on special assessments against lots in the district, subject to voter approval at a referendum; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Paragraph (j) of subsection (4) of section 2 of chapter 86-392, Laws of Florida, is amended to read:

Section 2. The following is the charter of the Lake Asbury Municipal Service Benefit District:

(4) The district is authorized and empowered:

(j) To assess for each year of its operation against every lot in the district a special assessment not to exceed \$100, provided that an assessment greater than \$100 per lot may be established by the Board of District Trustees upon approval by majority vote of the electors of the district voting in a referendum called for that purpose. In any year in which a majority of electors approve a special assessment greater than \$100 per lot, the approved increase shall thereafter constitute the maximum per lot assessment that may be established by the Board of District Trustees unless and until amended by approval of a majority of the electors of the district voting in a referendum called for that purpose.

1. The assessment above shall be billed and collected as provided by Florida law, the rules of the Florida Department of Revenue, and appropriate county ordinances, as applicable. The procedures of s. 197.3632 197.0126, Florida Statutes, shall be utilized in collection and assessment upon written agreement with the County Property Appraiser providing for reimbursement of administrative costs incurred. All actions and procedures for collections by the Property Appraiser or the Tax Collector shall be as described by general Florida law.

2. The special assessments shall be payable at the time and in the manner set forth as prescribed in chapter 197, Florida Statutes, or as may be subsequently modified by the governing body, and shall be and remain liens on the assessed property, coequal with the lien of all state, county, district, and municipal taxes, and superior in dignity to all other liens, titles, and claims, until paid and shall bear interest at a rate not to exceed 18 percent per annum.

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

Approved by the Governor May 7, 2010.

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