

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 membership and organization of the governing
 5 board of the authority; providing an effective date.

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

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

11 343.63 Central Florida Regional Transportation Authority.—

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

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

18 ~~(a) The chairs of the county commissions of Seminole,~~
 19 ~~Orange, and Osceola Counties, or another member of the~~
 20 ~~commission designated by the county chair, shall each serve as a~~
 21 ~~representative on the board for the full extent of his or her~~
 22 ~~term.~~

23 (a) ~~(b)~~ The mayor of the City of Orlando, ~~or a member of~~
 24 ~~the Orlando City Council designated by the mayor,~~ shall serve as
 25 ~~a representative on the board~~ for the full extent of his or her
 26 term.

27 (b) The chairs of the boards of county commissioners of
28 Orange, Osceola, and Seminole Counties shall each appoint
29 himself or herself or another member of the respective board of
30 county commissioners.

31 (c) The board of county commissioners of Orange County
32 shall appoint one member of the board in addition to the member
33 appointed pursuant to paragraph (b).

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

47 (e) The Governor shall appoint three citizen members, one
48 of whom shall be a citizen of Orange County, one of whom shall
49 be a citizen of Osceola County, and one of whom shall be a
50 citizen of Seminole County.

51 (3) Appointed members shall serve for 2 years, except that
52 each citizen member appointed by the Governor shall serve for 3

53 years. An appointed member's term expires December 31 of his or
54 her last year of service. The terms of standing board members
55 expire on the effective date of this act. Each appointed member
56 shall hold office until his or her successor is appointed and
57 qualified. A vacancy occurring during a term must be filled for
58 only the balance of the unexpired term. Each appointed member of
59 the board shall be a person of outstanding reputation for
60 integrity, responsibility, and business ability. Except as
61 otherwise provided in subsection (2), a person who is an officer
62 or employee of a municipality or county may not be an appointed
63 member of the board. Any member of the board is eligible for
64 reappointment.

65 (4) The district secretary of the Department of
66 Transportation district within the area served by the authority
67 shall serve as a nonvoting advisor to the governing board of the
68 authority.

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

76 ~~(c) The Secretary of Transportation shall appoint the~~
77 ~~district secretary, or his or her designee, for the district~~
78 ~~within which the area served by the authority is located and~~

79 | ~~this member shall be a voting member.~~

80 | ~~(3) A vacancy during a term shall be filled in the same~~
81 | ~~manner as the original appointment and only for the balance of~~
82 | ~~the unexpired term.~~

83 | (6)~~(4)~~ The members of the authority shall not be entitled
84 | to compensation, but shall be reimbursed for travel expenses
85 | actually incurred in their duties as provided by law.

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