

CHAPTER 2013-254

House Bill No. 949

An act relating to Charlotte County; amending chapter 98-508, Laws of Florida, as amended; revising provisions for the election of members of the Charlotte County Airport Authority; providing for the members to be known as commissioners; repealing s. 2 of chapter 63-1207, Laws of Florida, relating to obsolete provisions for the election of members of the Charlotte County Development Commission; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Section 4 of chapter 98-508, Laws of Florida, as amended by chapter 2011-263, Laws of Florida, is amended to read:

Section 4. Membership, ~~appointment~~ term of office.—The authority shall be composed of five members, also known as commissioners, one from each Charlotte County commission district, who are elected in the same manner as county officials, including partisan affiliation. Elections shall take place according to the following schedule:

(1) Commissioners in odd-numbered districts shall be elected every 4 years, beginning with the 2016 general election.

(2) Commissioners in even-numbered districts shall be elected every 4 years, beginning with the 2014 general election.

Elected commissioners shall take office at the first meeting of the commission after the general election. Each candidate for the office of commissioner of the authority must reside in the district from which such candidate seeks election for at least 6 months immediately before the time of qualifying to run for that office as prescribed in this section. At each general election, the members of the authority shall be elected for a term of 4 years, and shall take office immediately upon election. Election of members of the authority shall be as prescribed by the general election laws of Florida.

Section 2. Section 2 of chapter 63-1207, Laws of Florida, is repealed.

Section 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.

Approved by the Governor June 28, 2013.

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