

House Bill No. 987

An act relating to Polk County; amending chapter 8378, Laws of Florida, 1919, as amended; revising the law relating to the Lake Region Lakes Management District; expanding the territorial boundaries of the district; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Section 1 of chapter 8378, Laws of Florida, 1919, as amended, is amended to read:

Section 1. Purpose and Territorial Boundaries.—That for the purpose of acquiring, constructing, operating, maintaining and protecting a system of boat canals, drainage canals, dams, locks and other proper and necessary works in connection therewith, for the purpose of aiding in flood control, lake level management, and protecting, maintaining and improving the water quality in the lakes and canals in conjunction with state, county and city agencies, for the purpose of connecting the lakes within or adjacent to the boundaries hereinafter prescribed and for moving waters out of such lakes, and for the purpose of promoting access to the lakes and the public convenience, utility and welfare, the Lake Region Lakes Management District (the “district”), in Polk County has been created and established, and is hereby confirmed, as an independent special district, the territorial boundaries of which are as follows, to wit:

Beginning at the center of east line of section 2, or township twenty-eight (28) south, of range twenty-six (26) east; thence south with section line between section one (1) and two (2), eleven (11) and twelve (12), thirteen (13) and fourteen (14), twenty-three (23) and twenty-four (24), to the northeast corner of section twenty-six (26) said township and range;

Thence east on section line to northeast corner of northwest quarter of section twenty-five (25), thence south with the half section line to the center of section thirteen (13), township 29 south, range 26 east;

Thence west on the half section line to the southwest corner of the northwest quarter of section line to the southwest corner of the northwest quarter of section sixteen (16) said township and range;

Thence north with section line to the northwest corner of the southwest quarter of section four (4), said township and range;

Thence west with the half section line to center of section six (6) said township and range;

Thence north with half section line to the northwest corner of northeast quarter (NE $\frac{1}{4}$) of section thirty-one (31), township 28 south, range 26 east;

Thence west with section line to southeast corner of section twenty-five (25), township 28 south, range 25 east;

Thence north with the section line to the northeast corner of section twenty-four (24), said township and range;

Thence west to center of north line of section twenty-four (24); thence north with half section line to center of section one (1), township 28, range 25;

Thence east with the half section line to the northeast corner of southeast quarter (SE $\frac{1}{4}$) of section two (2), township 28 south, range 26 east, the point of beginning; embracing within said district the following lands, viz;

The south half of sections two, three, four, five and six and all of sections seven, eight, nine, ten, eleven, fourteen, fifteen, sixteen, seventeen, eighteen, nineteen, twenty, twenty-one, twenty-two, twenty-three, twenty-six, twenty-seven, twenty-eight, twenty-nine, thirty, thirty-two, thirty-three, thirty-four, and thirty-five and the west half of sections twenty-five and thirty-six and the east half of section thirty-one in township 28 south, range 26 east and all of sections two, three, four, nine, ten and eleven, and the west half of section one and twelve and the north half of sections five, fourteen, fifteen and sixteen and the northeast quarter of section six and the northwest quarter of section thirteen in township 29 south, range 26 east, and the east half of sections twelve and thirteen, and the southeast quarter of section one in township 28 south, range 25 east.

And:

Beginning at the Northwest corner of Section 2, Township 28 South, Range 26 East, Polk County, Florida;

Run thence Easterly, along the north line thereof, to the Northeast corner of the West one-half of the Northeast quarter of said Section 2;

Thence Southerly, along said east line of the west one-half of the Northeast quarter of said Section 2, to the Southeast corner thereof;

Thence Westerly, along the south line of the west one-half of the Northeast quarter and the south line of the Northwest quarter of said Section 2, to the Southeast corner of the north one-half of Section 3, Township 28 South, Range 26 East;

Thence continue Westerly, along the south line of the North one-half of said Section 3, to the southeast corner of the north one-half of Section 4, Township 28 South, Range 26 East;

Thence continue Westerly, along the south line of the north one-half of said Section 4, to the southeast corner of the north one-half of Section 5, Township 28 South, Range 26 East;

Thence continue Westerly, along the south line of the north one-half of said Section 5, to the southeast corner of the north one-half of Section 6, Township 28 South, Range 26 East;

Thence continue Westerly, along the south line of the north one-half of said Section 6, to the southeast corner of the Northeast quarter of Section 1, Township 28 South, Range 25 East;

Thence continue Westerly, along the south line of the Northeast quarter and the south line of the Northwest quarter of said Section 1, to the southwest corner of the East one-half of the Northwest quarter of said Section 1;

Thence Northerly, along the west line of the East one-half of the Northwest quarter of said Section 1, to the northwest corner thereof;

Thence Easterly, along the north line of the East one-half of the Northwest quarter of said Section 1, to the southwest corner of the South one-half of the Southeast quarter of Section 36, Township 27 South, Range 25 East;

Thence Northerly, along the west line of the South one-half of the Southeast quarter of said Section 36, to the northwest corner thereof;

Thence Easterly, along the north line of the South one-half of the Southeast quarter of said Section 36, to the northeast corner thereof, also being a point on the westerly line of Section 31, Township 27 South, Range 26 East;

Thence Northerly, along the west line of said Section 31, to the southwest corner of Section 30, Township 27 South, Range 26 East;

Thence continue Northerly, along the west line of said Section 30, to the southwest corner of Section 19, Township 27 South, Range 26 East;

Thence continue Northerly, along the west line of said Section 19, to the northwest corner thereof;

Thence Easterly, along the north line of said Section 19, to the northwest corner of Section 20, Township 27 South, Range 26 East;

Thence continue Easterly, along the north line of said Section 20, to the southwest corner of the Southeast quarter of the Southeast quarter of Section 17, Township 27 South, Range 26 East;

Thence Northerly, along the west line of the Southeast quarter of the Southeast quarter of said Section 17, to the northwest corner thereof;

Thence Easterly, along the north line of the Southeast quarter of the Southeast quarter of said Section 17, to the northeast corner thereof;

Thence Southerly, along the east line of the Southeast quarter of the Southeast quarter of said Section 17, to the Northwest corner of Section 21, Township 27 South, Range 26 East;

Thence Easterly, along the north line of said Section 21, to the northeast corner thereof;

Thence Southerly, along the east line of said Section 21, to the northwest corner of the Southwest quarter of Section 22, Township 27 South, Range 26 East;

Thence Easterly, along the north line of the Southwest quarter of said Section 22, to the northeast corner thereof;

Thence Southerly, along the east line of the Southwest quarter of said Section 22, to the southeast corner thereof, also being a point on the north line of Section 27, Township 27 South, Range 26 East;

Thence Easterly, along the north line of said Section 27, to the northeast corner thereof;

Thence Southerly, along the east line of said Section 27, to the northeast corner of Section 34, Township 27 South, Range 26 East;

Thence continue Southerly, along the east line of said Section 34, to the southeast corner thereof and the Point of Beginning.

All of the above lands lying in Polk County, Florida.

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

Approved by the Governor May 25, 2000.

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