

## Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 1031

An act relating to Brevard County; codifying, pursuant to s. 189.429, F.S., special acts relating to the A. Max Brewer Memorial Law Library; amending, reenacting, and codifying chapter 30599, Laws of Florida, 1955, and chapters 57-1155, 61-1916, and 74-431, Laws of Florida; providing legislative intent; providing a district charter; eliminating obsolete provisions; repealing chapter 30599, Laws of Florida, 1955, and chapters 57-1155, 61-1916, and 74-431, Laws of Florida; providing severability; providing an effective date.

WHEREAS, the proper and expeditious administration of justice in the courts of Brevard County make it necessary and desirable that there be available to judges, attorneys, county officials, and the public an adequate law library located in Brevard County, and

WHEREAS, the establishment and maintenance of such law library and necessary branch libraries would be beneficial to the public and would be of great aid in expediting matters before the courts of the county and is therefore a public need, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

Section 1. Intent.—Pursuant to section 189.429, Florida Statutes, this act constitutes the codification of all special acts relating to the A. Max Brewer Memorial Law Library District. It is the intent of the Legislature in enacting this law to provide a single, comprehensive special-act charter for the district, including all current legislative authority granted to the district by its several legislative enactments and any additional authority granted by this act.

Section 2. Codification.—Chapter 30599, Laws of Florida, 1955, and chapters 57-1155, 61-1916, and 74-431, Laws of Florida, relating to the A. Max Brewer Memorial Law Library are codified, reenacted, amended, and repealed as provided in this act.

Section 3. Short title.—This act may be cited as the “A. Max Brewer Memorial Law Library Act.”

Section 4. The charter for the A. Max Brewer Memorial Law Library is re-created and reenacted to read:

Section 1. Establishment.—The A. Max Brewer Memorial Law Library is established as a dependent special district for the purposes of providing a law library system in Brevard County, Florida.

Section 2. Governing Board.—A board of trustees to be known as “Board of Trustees, A. Max Brewer Memorial Law Library” is created, which board of trustees shall consist of five members: a circuit judge assigned to Brevard County and a county judge of Brevard County, both of whom shall be appointed by the chief judge of the judicial circuit, and three practicing attorneys of Brevard County to be appointed by the president of the Brevard

County Bar Association. All members serve at the pleasure of the appointing authority. The board of trustees has full power and authority to operate and maintain a law library system in the main courthouse and branch courthouses or such place or places as it from time to time designates and to prescribe and enforce rules as to the use, maintenance, and operation of the law library. The board of trustees may purchase or lease books, furniture, library equipment, and supplies and may employ necessary librarians or other staff. The board may also obtain loans from any source approved by the chief judge of the judicial circuit.

Section 3. Space.—The Board of County Commissioners of Brevard County shall allocate adequate space in the county courthouse and branch courthouses, Brevard County, for the exclusive use of the law library system.

Section 4. Funds.—All funds for the use of the law library system shall be expended by the board of trustees and only for the purpose of maintaining and operating the law library system.

Section 5. Chapter 30599, Laws of Florida, 1955, and chapters 57-1155, 61-1916, and 74-431, Laws of Florida, are repealed.

Section 6. If any provision of this act or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or circumstances of the act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this act are declared severable.

Section 7. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.

Approved by the Governor April 23, 2002.

Filed in Office Secretary of State April 23, 2002.