CHAPTER 2003-39

Senate Bill No. 1862

An act relating to community development districts; amending s. 190.011, F.S.; providing for such districts to collect ground rent from owners of long-term ground leases with governmental entities; authorizing contracts between a district and the county tax collector for collection of such ground rent; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Subsection (7) of section 190.011, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

190.011 General powers.—The district shall have, and the board may exercise, the following powers:

 $(7)(\underline{a})$ To hold, control, and acquire by donation, purchase, or condemnation, or dispose of, any public easements, dedications to public use, platted reservations for public purposes, or any reservations for those purposes authorized by this act and to make use of such easements, dedications, or reservations for any of the purposes authorized by this act.

(b) When real property in the district is owned by a governmental entity and subject to a ground lease as described in s. 190.003(13), to collect ground rent from landowners pursuant to a contract with such governmental entity and to contract with the county tax collector for collection of such ground rent using the procedures authorized in s. 197.3631, other than the procedures contained in s. 197.3632.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2003.

Approved by the Governor May 23, 2003.

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