

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(9)

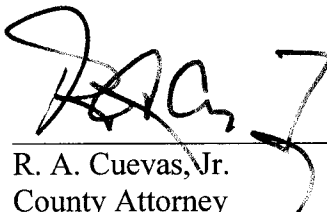
TO: Honorable Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: January 10, 2008

FROM: R. A. Cuevas, Jr.
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution urging Florida
Legislature to revise statutes
passed during Special
Session B on property taxes

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Commissioner Rebeca Sosa.



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County Attorney

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(Revised)

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Please note any items checked.

- "4-Day Rule" ("3-Day Rule" for committees) applicable if raised
- 6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing
- 4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing
- Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget
- Budget required
- Statement of fiscal impact required
- Bid waiver requiring County Manager's written recommendation
- Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Manager's report for public hearing
- Housekeeping item (no policy decision required)
- No committee review

Approved _____ Mayor
Veto _____
Override _____

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1-10-08

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION URGING THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO
REVISE STATUTES PASSED DURING SPECIAL SESSION B
ON PROPERTY TAXES TO ADDRESS ANNEXATIONS,
INCORPORATIONS AND CHANGES TO DISTRICT
BOUNDARIES

WHEREAS, the Florida Legislature passed HB 1-B during Special Session B in June, 2007, that imposed statutory rollbacks, percentage reductions and caps on the property tax revenues of local governments; and

WHEREAS, the revenue caps passed in HB 1-B do not address the affects of annexations and incorporations of cities, and do not address the consolidation of dependent and independent special districts, such as the Fire/Rescue and Library dependent districts; and

WHEREAS, state law should encourage consolidation and efficient delivery of government services, but under HB 1-B, local governments and districts annexing new areas would require the local government to operate within existing revenue limitations despite larger service areas; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Legislature should make changes to state statutes to address these issues,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that this Board:

Section 1. Urges the Florida Legislature to revise statutes passed during Special Session B on property taxes to address annexations, incorporations and changes to district boundaries so as to encourage consolidation and efficient delivery of government services.

Section 2. Directs the Clerk of the Board to transmit certified copies of the resolution to the Governor, Senate President, House Speaker, and the Chair and Members of the Miami-Dade County State Legislative Delegation.

Section 3. Directs the County's state lobbyists to advocate for the actions set forth in Section 1 and directs the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs to include this item in the 2008 State Legislative Package.

The foregoing resolution was sponsored by Commissioner Rebeca Sosa and offered by Commissioner _____, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner _____ and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

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| Bruno A. Barreiro, Chairman | |
| Barbara J. Jordan, Vice-Chairwoman | |
| Jose "Pepe" Diaz | Audrey M. Edmonson |
| Carlos A. Gimenez | Sally A. Heyman |
| Joe A. Martinez | Dennis C. Moss |
| Dorrin D. Rolle | Natacha Seijas |
| Katy Sorenson | Rebeca Sosa |
| Sen. Javier D. Souto | |

The Chairman thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 10th day of January, 2008. This resolution shall become effective ten (10) days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA
BY ITS BOARD OF
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

By: _____
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency.



Jess M. McCarty