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An act relating to the Central Florida Expressway Authority; amending s. 348.753, F.S.; revising provisions for the membership and organization of the governing body of the authority; specifying the date that the terms of certain members end; amending s. 348.757, F.S.; removing a provision that requires title to the former Orlando-Orange County Expressway System be transferred to the state; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Subsection (3) and paragraph (a) of subsection (4) of section 348.753, Florida Statutes, are amended to read: 348.753 Central Florida Expressway Authority.—

(3) The governing body of the authority shall consist of nine members. The chairs of the boards of the county commissions of Seminole, Lake, and Osceola Counties shall each appoint one member from his or her respective county, who must may be a commission member or chair or a county mayor. The Mayor of Orange County shall appoint a member from the Orange County Commission. The Governor shall appoint three citizen members, each of whom must be a citizen of either Orange County, Seminole County, Lake County, or Osceola County. The eighth member must be the Mayor of Orange County and. The ninth member must be the

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Mayor of the City of Orlando shall also serve as members. The executive director of the Florida Turnpike Enterprise shall serve as a nonvoting advisor to the governing body of the authority. Each member appointed by the Governor shall serve for 4 years, with the member's term ending on December 31 of his or her last year of service. Each county-appointed member shall serve for 2 years. The terms of standing board members expire June 20, 2014. Each appointed member shall hold office until his or her successor has been appointed and has qualified. A vacancy occurring during a term must be filled only for the balance of the unexpired term. Each appointed member of the authority must shall be a person of outstanding reputation for integrity, responsibility, and business ability, but, except as provided in this subsection, a person who is an officer or employee of a municipality or county may not be an appointed member of the authority. Any member of the authority is eligible for reappointment.

(4) (a) The authority shall elect one of its members as chair of the authority. The authority shall also elect one of its members as vice chair, one of its members as secretary, and one of its members as treasurer. The chair, vice chair, secretary, and treasurer shall hold such offices at the will of the authority. Five members of the authority constitute a quorum, and the vote of five members is necessary for any action taken by the authority. A vacancy in the authority does not impair the right of a quorum of the authority to exercise all of

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the rights and perform all of the duties of the authority.

Section 2. Subsection (2) of section 348.757, Florida

Statutes, is amended to read:

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348.757 Lease-purchase agreement.

(2) The lease-purchase agreement must provide for the leasing of the former Orlando-Orange County Expressway System, by the authority, as lessor, to the department, as lessee, and must prescribe the term of such lease and the rentals to be paid, and must provide that upon the completion of the faithful performance and the termination of the lease-purchase agreement, title in fee simple absolute to the former Orlando-Orange County Expressway System as then constituted shall be transferred in accordance with law by the authority, to the state and the authority shall deliver to the department such deeds and conveyances as shall be necessary or convenient to vest title in fee simple absolute in the state.

Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2016.

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