

SOUTHERN DRAINAGE DISTRICT  
of  
FLORIDA

Miami, Fla. June 15th, 1929.

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Mr. Frank J. Pepper,  
City.

Dear Friend:

I have kept the wires hot to get the bill relieving the tax payers passed.

By insistence or persistence I have at last got them to agree to pass same Monday.

I have drawn the bill in the shortest form possible to avoid any ambiguity or vague and indefinite phrases which might call for bill being referred to committee or call for amendments.

In this short form any member can readily grasp the entire text and meaning of the bill, and I feel that any changes or amendments would be fatal to the bill at this late date.

It seems too bad that we who give the taxpayer the most real value for his tax dollar, should be the ones who have to forego taxes, but we are the only board who are free from bonded debt and therefore the only one in a position to help the land owner out.

The time left is very short and as little publicity as possible should be given this bill until its successful passage as there are certain interests here that would strenuously oppose the passage of this bill for selfish reasons.

I furnished the Senator with all necessary data, and feel sure that he will now secure the two thirds vote to advance same on callendar.

I can also assure him that it will be O. K. with the State Board and will have the dignity of an administration bill.

Yours truly,

Joe Conrad.

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AN ACT to authorize and direct the Board of Supervisors of The Southern Drainage District, a subdrainage district of the State of Florida, created under Chapter 7599, Laws of Florida, Special Acts of 1917 and laws amendatory thereto, to not levy any reclamation tax on lands of said district for the year 1930.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1.

That the Board of Supervisors of the Southern Drainage District, a political subdivision of the State of Florida, be and they are hereby authorized, empowered and directed to refrain from levying, assessing, apportioning or causing to be collected, any Reclamation or special drainage tax on the lands of said district for the year 1930.

Section 2.

That all laws or parts of laws in conflict with this act are herewith and hereby repealed.

Section 3.

That this Act shall take effect immediately upon its passage and approval of the Governor, or upon becoming a law without his approval.