

Florida Legislature Amendment Pertaining to adding "water" to Soil Conservation District titles – Open Session 1965 – See below:

Soil Conservation Act-Section 582.01 (1)

One of the amendments enacted by the 1965 Florida Legislature was section 582.01 (1) of the soil conservation act concerning "water" in the name of the district.

582.01 Definitions.--Wherever used or referred to in this chapter unless a different meaning clearly appears from the context:

(1) "District" or "soil conservation district" or "soil and water conservation district" means a governmental subdivision of this state, and a body corporate and politic, organized in accordance with the provisions of this chapter, for the purpose, with the powers, and subject to the provisions set forth in this chapter. The term "district" or "soil conservation district," when used in this chapter, means and includes a "soil and water conservation district." All districts heretofore or hereafter organized under this chapter shall be known as soil and water conservation districts and shall have all the powers set out herein.

In view of the above changes the Office of Secretary of State was asked for the procedure to be followed by districts relating to this subject, and the following answer has been received dated July 30, 1965.

"Our legal counsel has reviewed this matter and advises that chapter 65-334, House Bill No. 1644, is a self executing statute and does not require the establishment of an implementing procedure. Therefore, you may wish to advise the various districts to make changes in accordance with the amendments which become effective August 4, 1965. The records in this office are being changed to comply with the above named Act.

Soil Conservation Districts may comply with this Amendment by the following suggested actions:
(1) Minutes of board to reflect change name from, _____ Soil Conservation District to, _____ Soil and Water Conservation District as authorized in chapter 65-334, House Bill No. 1644; (2) all future records, bank accounts, reports, stationary, signs, equipment and etc., to indicate name change; and (3) district cooperators and public to be advised of change.