RESOLUTION NO.103

RESOLUTION REQUESTING FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO ADOPT STANDARDS ON EFFECTIVE DATES OF ACTS

WHEREAS, the Florida Legislature has adopted the practice of providing that many legislative acts shall take effect upon becoming a law which means that they take effect immediately upon approval of the Governor, or if not approved by the Governor, upon being filed with the Secretary of State and in other acts provides that they shall take effect on July 1 of the same year, and

WHEREAS, due to this practice and the fact that there is such a long delay between the adjournment of the Legislature and the publication and distribution of the Session Laws and the official Florida Statutes, such acts become effective before many county officers and their staff, the courts, attorneys and the public are even aware of the passage of such laws, and

WHEREAS, many acts dealing with the County's duties and responsibilities are made effective without regard to the County's fiscal year which begins October 1 and as a result, no provision has been made or could have been made in the current budget of the County to finance such duties and responsibilities.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of NASSAU COUNTY, Florida, in regular session duly assembled this <u>lith</u> day of <u>July</u>, 1972, that the Florida Legislature is urgently requested to provide that, except in the case of emergencies, no act shall become effective until the Session Laws for the year in which such act was passed have been published in bound form as provided by Section 283.12(1), Florida Statutes, and a copy thereof delivered to each Board of County Commissioners in the State.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Florida Legislature is further requested to provide that no act pertaining to County fiscal matters or requiring the County to assume any new duties or responsibilities or obligations shall become effective before October 1 of the year in which passed.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the State Association of County Commissioners and the Board of County Commissioners of the counties of Florida are urged to actively support this request.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to the NASSAU County Legislative Delegation, the Secretary of the Florida Senate, the Clerk of the Florida House of Representatives, the State Association of County Commissioners.

ADOPTED this 11th day of July, A. D. 1972.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA.

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