

FINAL BILL REPORT

SHB 1291

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Changing library district annexation provisions.

Sponsors: House Committee on Local Government & Housing (originally sponsored by Representatives Maxwell, Simpson, Green, Rodne, Clibborn, Hasegawa, Ormsby, Orwall, Liias, Hudgins, Johnson, Sullivan and Hunter).

House Committee on Local Government & Housing
Senate Committee on Government Operations & Elections

Background:

State law provides for the establishment, management, and operation of different categories of public libraries. In addition to public libraries established by cities, towns, and counties, statute authorizes the establishment of rural county library districts, island library districts, and intercounty rural library districts. The service areas of these special districts are as follows:

- a "*rural county library district*" provides library services to all areas within a county not included within incorporated cities and towns;
- an "*island library district*" provides library service for all areas outside of incorporated cities and towns on a single island only; and
- an "*intercounty rural library district*" provides library service for all areas outside of incorporated cities and towns within two or more counties.

Cities and towns with populations of 100,000 or less at the time of annexation may become part of these library districts. These cities and towns may do so by adopting an ordinance stating their intent to join the library district.

Summary:

The maximum population that a city or town may have at the time of annexation into a rural county, island library, or intercounty rural library district is increased from 100,000 to 300,000.

Votes on Final Passage:

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Senate 47 0

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