

SENATE BILL REPORT

HB 1143

**AS REPORTED BY COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS,
MARCH 26, 1993**

Brief Description: Providing a procedure for consolidating cities or towns.

SPONSORS: Representatives Van Luven, G. Fisher, Reams, Bray, Edmondson, Brough and Springer

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

SENATE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS

Majority Report: Do pass.

Signed by Senators Haugen, Chairman; Drew, Vice Chairman; Loveland, Oke, von Reichbauer, and Winsley.

Staff: Eugene Green (786-7405)

Hearing Dates: March 23, 1993; March 26, 1993

BACKGROUND:

Cities and towns may permit a community municipal corporation to be created in an area that annexes to the city or town if, either the petition/election or resolution election method of annexation is used to authorize the annexation, and the voters residing in the area that is proposed to be annexed approve a ballot proposition authorizing the community municipal corporation. A community municipal corporation exists for five years, but may be continued for successive five-year periods, if authorized by the voters of the community municipal corporation.

A community municipal corporation has an elected five-member community council that, within 60 days of adoption, may disapprove the following actions taken by the city or town council relating to the community municipal corporation: (1) A comprehensive plan; (2) a zoning ordinance; (3) a conditional use permit, special exception or variance; (4) a subdivision ordinance; (5) a subdivision plan; and (6) a planned unit development.

Community municipal corporations have been created in Bellevue, Kirkland, and Des Moines, each of which are code cities.

SUMMARY:

It is clarified that community municipal corporations may be formed when territory is annexed to a code city or whenever two or more cities or towns consolidate.

Appropriation: none

Revenue: none

Fiscal Note: none requested

TESTIMONY FOR:

This bill simply clarifies existing law.

TESTIMONY AGAINST: None

TESTIFIED: Representative Van Luven, prime sponsor (pro)