
HOUSE BILL 1853

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By Representatives Smith and Bush

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1 AN ACT Relating to the relationship between school district
2 boundaries and the boundaries of a city or town with a population of
3 less than three thousand; creating a new section; providing an
4 expiration date; and declaring an emergency.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

6 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** Notwithstanding the provisions of RCW
7 28A.315.250, the governing body of a city or town, with a population of
8 less than three thousand, that includes territory located in two school
9 districts may call a special election to be held at which voters
10 authorize the removal of either portion of the city or town from one
11 school district and the transfer of that portion of the city or town to
12 the other school district, under the following conditions: (1) One of
13 the two school districts either borders a United States military
14 reservation or includes territory located in a United States military
15 reservation; and (2) a public school building is not located in the
16 territory that is so removed and transferred.

17 The special election shall be held at a special election date
18 specified under RCW 29.13.020 at which a ballot proposition authorizing
19 the removal and transfer of the portion of the city or town from one

1 school district to the other school district is submitted to the voters
2 of that portion of the city or town. If the ballot proposition is
3 approved by a simple majority vote of voters of that portion of the
4 city or town voting on the ballot proposition, the educational service
5 district superintendent within which the school districts are located
6 shall make an order so altering the boundaries of the school districts.
7 The cost of the election must be paid by the city or town.

8 This section expires January 1, 1999.

9 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** This act is necessary for the immediate
10 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the
11 state government and its existing public institutions, and takes effect
12 immediately.

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