FINAL BILL REPORT SHB 2482

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Addressing the signature validation process for petitions that seek annexation.

Sponsors: By House Committee on Local Government (originally sponsored by Representative Moeller).

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

Background:

State law includes provisions governing voter and property owner petitions, including petitions for annexation, that may be initiated and submitted to a city. The provisions include requirements pertaining to:

- petition formats;
- textual requirements;
- sufficiency requirements; and
- qualifications for signing.

Summary:

Provisions governing petitions that may be submitted to cities are modified. Any duly authorized corporate officer may take an oath and sign an annexation petition on behalf of a corporation. A person exercising this authority must attach an affidavit to the petition stating that he or she is authorized by the corporation to sign on its behalf.

Votes on Final Passage:

House 96 0

Senate 43 0 (Senate amended) House 94 0 (House concurred)

Effective: June 12, 2008