
Local Government Committee

HB 2482

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

Sponsors: Representative Moeller.

| Brief Summary of Bill |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">Revises petition requirements used in cities and towns that allow a corporate officer to sign an annexation petition under oath. |

Hearing Date: 1/15/08

Staff: Lyset Cadena (786-7291).

Background:

State law contains specified procedural and substantive rules governing the use of the various voter/property owner petitions initiated in accordance with the procedures required of cities and towns. The rules governing this petition process include those pertaining to:

- petition formats;
- textual requirements;
- persons allowed to sign petitions;
- determination of signature validity; and
- validity of signatures by authorized officers of property-owning corporations.

Summary of Bill:

A corporate officer who is authorized to execute deeds or encumbrances on behalf of a corporation may be allowed to sign a petition on behalf of that corporation, but only if the officer attaches to the petition a certified excerpt from the bylaws showing that he/she has such authority to sign.

Appropriation: None.

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Fiscal Note: Not requested.

Effective Date: The bill takes effect 90 days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.