## FINAL BILL REPORT SHB 1383

## C 279 L 95

Synopsis as Enacted

**Brief Description:** Clarifying annexation authority by municipal corporations providing sewer or water service of unincorporated territory.

**Sponsors:** House Committee on Government Operations (originally sponsored by Representatives Reams, Scott, Rust and Hargrove).

## **House Committee on Government Operations Senate Committee on Government Operations**

**Background:** When unincorporated territory consisting of less than 100 acres is at least 80 percent contiguous with the boundaries of two sewer districts, two water districts, or a water district and a sewer district, the board of commissioners of one of the districts may resolve to annex the territory if the other district's board of commissioners concurs.

Cities and towns may also provide sewer or water service. There is no authority for a sewer district or water district to annex this territory even if the city or town whose boundaries are contiguous with the unincorporated territory concurs in the annexation. Similarly, there is no authority for a city or town to annex this territory even if the sewer district or water district concurs in the annexation.

**Summary of Bill:** When unincorporated territory consisting of less than 100 acres is at least 80 percent contiguous with the boundaries of two municipal corporations, and one of the municipal corporations is either a sewer district or a water district, the legislative authority of one of the municipal corporations may resolve to annex the territory if the legislative authority of the other municipal corporation concurs in the annexation.

A municipal corporation is defined as a city, town, water district, or sewer district.

## **Votes on Final Passage:**

House 96 0

Senate 44 1 (Senate amended) House 96 0 (House concurred)

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