

SB 5355 - H COMM AMD

By Committee on Local Government & Housing

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1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
2 following:

3 "Sec. 1. RCW 27.12.040 and 1990 c 259 s 1 are each amended to read
4 as follows:

5 The procedure for the establishment of a rural county library
6 district shall be as follows:

7 (1) Petitions signed by at least ten percent of the registered
8 voters of the county who voted in the last general election, outside of
9 the area of incorporated cities and towns, asking that the question,
10 "Shall a rural county library district be established?" be submitted to
11 a vote of the people, shall be filed with the county legislative
12 authority. For all districts created after the effective date of this
13 act, the petition may include a proposed initial maximum levy rate.
14 This initial maximum levy rate must not exceed the rate limit set forth
15 in RCW 27.12.050(1).

16 (2) The county legislative authority, after having determined that
17 the petitions were signed by the requisite number of registered voters,
18 shall place the proposition for the establishment of a rural county
19 library district on the ballot for the vote of the people of the
20 county, outside incorporated cities and towns, at the next succeeding
21 general or special election. If the petition to create the rural
22 county library district included a proposed initial maximum levy rate,
23 the ballot proposition for the establishment of the rural county
24 library district must include the initial maximum levy rate specified
25 in the petition. This ballot must be submitted in such form as to
26 enable the voters favoring the proposition to vote "Yes" and those
27 opposing to vote "No."

28 (3) If a majority of those voting on the proposition vote in favor
29 of the establishment of the rural county library district, the county
30 legislative authority shall forthwith declare it established.

1 **Sec. 2.** RCW 27.12.050 and 1973 1st ex.s. c 195 s 5 are each
2 amended to read as follows:

3 (1) After the board of county commissioners has declared a rural
4 county library district established, it shall appoint a board of
5 library trustees and provide funds for the establishment and
6 maintenance of library service for the district by making a tax levy on
7 the property in the district of not more than fifty cents per thousand
8 dollars of assessed value per year sufficient for the library service
9 as shown to be required by the budget submitted to the board of county
10 commissioners by the board of library trustees, and by making a tax
11 levy in such further amount as shall be authorized pursuant to RCW
12 27.12.222 or 84.52.052 or 84.52.056. Such levies shall be a part of
13 the general tax roll and shall be collected as a part of the general
14 taxes against the property in the district.

15 (2) The initial levy rate may not exceed the rate limit in
16 subsection (1) of this section or, if applicable, the initial maximum
17 levy rate contained in the ballot proposition approved by the voters to
18 create the district. In subsequent years, the levy rate may be
19 increased as authorized under chapter 84.55 RCW."

20 Correct the title.

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