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1 AN ACT Relating to cities and towns annexed to fire protection
2 districts; and amending RCW 52.02.020 and 52.04.061.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 52.02.020 and 2005 c 281 s 1 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 (1) Fire protection districts for the provision of fire prevention
7 services, fire suppression services, emergency medical services, and
8 for the protection of life and property (~~in areas outside of cities
9 and towns, except where the cities and towns have been annexed into a
10 fire protection district or where the district is continuing service
11 pursuant to RCW 35.02.202,~~) are authorized to be established as
12 provided in this title.

13 (2) In addition to other services authorized under this section,
14 fire protection districts that share a common border with Canada and
15 are surrounded on three sides by water or are bounded on the north by
16 Bremerton, on the west by Mason county, on the south by Pierce county,
17 and on the east by the Puget Sound, may also establish or participate
18 in the provision of health clinic services.

1 **Sec. 2.** RCW 52.04.061 and 2009 c 115 s 1 are each amended to read
2 as follows:

3 (1) A city or town lying adjacent to a fire protection district may
4 be annexed to such district if at the time of the initiation of
5 annexation the population of the city or town is (~~(100,000)~~) 300,000 or
6 less. The legislative authority of the city or town may initiate
7 annexation by the adoption of an ordinance stating an intent to join
8 the fire protection district and finding that the public interest will
9 be served thereby. If the board of fire commissioners of the fire
10 protection district shall concur in the annexation, notification
11 thereof shall be transmitted to the legislative authority or
12 authorities of the counties in which the city or town and the district
13 are situated.

14 (2) When a city or town is located in two counties, and at least
15 eighty percent of the population resides in one county, all of that
16 portion of the city lying in that county and encompassing eighty
17 percent of the population may be annexed to a fire protection district
18 if at the time of the initiation of annexation the proposed area lies
19 adjacent to a fire protection district, and the population of the
20 proposed area is greater than five thousand but less than ten thousand.
21 The legislative authority of the city or town may initiate annexation
22 by the adoption of an ordinance stating an intent to join the fire
23 protection district and finding that the public interest will be served
24 thereby. If the board of fire commissioners of the fire protection
25 district shall concur in the annexation, notification thereof must be
26 transmitted to the legislative authority or authorities of the counties
27 in which the city or town and the district are situated.

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