

SENATE BILL REPORT

HB 1760

AS REPORTED BY COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS,
FEBRUARY 27, 1992

Brief Description: Providing a procedure for consolidating cities or towns.

SPONSORS: Representatives Van Luven, Haugen, Edmondson, Nelson, Wynne, Nealey, Zellinsky and Franklin.

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

SENATE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS

Majority Report: Do pass.

Signed by Senators McCaslin, Chairman; Madsen, and Sutherland.

Staff: Eugene Green (786-7405)

Hearing Dates: February 26, 1992; February 27, 1992

BACKGROUND:

Cities may permit a community municipal corporation to be created in an area that annexes to the city or town.

A community municipal corporation may disapprove the following actions taken by the city or town council relating to the community municipal corporation: a comprehensive plan; a zoning ordinance; a conditional use permit, special exception or variance; a subdivision ordinance; a subdivision plat; and a planned unit development.

Community municipal corporations have been created in Bellevue, Kirkland, and Des Moines, each of which are code cities.

SUMMARY:

It is clarified that community municipal corporations may be formed whenever two or more code cities consolidate or whenever unincorporated territory is annexed to a city or town if the service area meets the statutory size requirements.

The community municipal corporation must be approved by the voters in the cities being consolidated or in the territory being annexed. The ballot proposition can be for the creation of the community municipal corporation alone or for the approval of both the consolidation or annexation and the creation of the community municipal corporation.

Appropriation: none

Revenue: none

Fiscal Note: none requested

TESTIMONY FOR:

It just clarifies that code cities can have a community municipal corporation and that one can be formed either during an annexation or consolidation.

TESTIMONY AGAINST: None

TESTIFIED: Representative Van Luven