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SENATE BILL 6238

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By Senator Fairley

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1 AN ACT Relating to assessed valuation requirements for the direct  
2 petition method of annexation; and amending RCW 35.13.130.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 35.13.130 and 1990 c 33 s 566 are each amended to read  
5 as follows:

6 A petition for annexation of an area contiguous to a city or town  
7 may be made in writing addressed to and filed with the legislative body  
8 of the municipality to which annexation is desired. Except where all  
9 the property sought to be annexed is property of a school district, and  
10 the school directors thereof file the petition for annexation as in RCW  
11 28A.335.110 authorized, the petition must be signed by the owners of  
12 not less than (~~seventy-five~~) sixty percent in value according to the  
13 assessed valuation for general taxation of the property for which  
14 annexation is petitioned: PROVIDED, That in cities and towns with  
15 populations greater than one hundred sixty thousand located east of the  
16 Cascade mountains, the owner of tax exempt property may sign an  
17 annexation petition and have the tax exempt property annexed into the  
18 city or town, but the value of the tax exempt property shall not be  
19 used in calculating the sufficiency of the required property owner

1 signatures unless only tax exempt property is proposed to be annexed  
2 into the city or town. The petition shall set forth a description of  
3 the property according to government legal subdivisions or legal plats  
4 which is in compliance with RCW 35.02.170, and shall be accompanied by  
5 a plat which outlines the boundaries of the property sought to be  
6 annexed. If the legislative body has required the assumption of all or  
7 of any portion of city or town indebtedness by the area annexed, and/or  
8 the adoption of a comprehensive plan for the area to be annexed, these  
9 facts, together with a quotation of the minute entry of such  
10 requirement or requirements shall be set forth in the petition.

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