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SENATE BILL 5355

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Speaker of the House of Representatives

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Governor of the State of Washington

CERTIFICATE

I, Thomas Hoemann, Secretary of the Senate of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SENATE BILL 5355** as passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives on the dates hereon set forth.

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By Senator Haugen

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1   AN ACT Relating to initial levy rates for rural county library
2 districts; and amending RCW 27.12.040 and 27.12.050.

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

4   **Sec. 1.** RCW 27.12.040 and 1990 c 259 s 1 are each amended to read
5 as follows:
6   The procedure for the establishment of a rural county library
7 district shall be as follows:
8   (1) Petitions signed by at least ten percent of the registered
9 voters of the county who voted in the last general election, outside of
10 the area of incorporated cities and towns, asking that the question,
11 "Shall a rural county library district be established?" be submitted to
12 a vote of the people, shall be filed with the county legislative
13 authority. For all districts created after the effective date of this
14 act, the petition may include a proposed initial maximum levy rate.
15 This initial maximum levy rate must not exceed the rate limit set forth
16 in RCW 27.12.050(1).
17   (2) The county legislative authority, after having determined that
18 the petitions were signed by the requisite number of registered voters,
19 shall place the proposition for the establishment of a rural county

1 library district on the ballot for the vote of the people of the
 2 county, outside incorporated cities and towns, at the next succeeding
 3 general or special election. If the petition to create the rural
 4 county library district included a proposed initial maximum levy rate,
 5 the ballot proposition for the establishment of the rural county
 6 library district must include the initial maximum levy rate specified
 7 in the petition. This ballot must be submitted in such form as to
 8 enable the voters favoring the proposition to vote "Yes" and those
 9 opposing to vote "No."
10   (3) If a majority of those voting on the proposition vote in favor
11 of the establishment of the rural county library district, the county
12 legislative authority shall forthwith declare it established.

13   **Sec. 2.** RCW 27.12.050 and 1973 1st ex.s. c 195 s 5 are each
14 amended to read as follows:
15   (1) After the board of county commissioners has declared a rural
16 county library district established, it shall appoint a board of
17 library trustees and provide funds for the establishment and
18 maintenance of library service for the district by making a tax levy on
19 the property in the district of not more than fifty cents per thousand
20 dollars of assessed value per year sufficient for the library service
21 as shown to be required by the budget submitted to the board of county
22 commissioners by the board of library trustees, and by making a tax
23 levy in such further amount as shall be authorized pursuant to RCW
24 27.12.222 or 84.52.052 or 84.52.056. Such levies shall be a part of
25 the general tax roll and shall be collected as a part of the general
26 taxes against the property in the district.
27   (2) The initial levy rate may not exceed the rate limit in
28 subsection (1) of this section or, if applicable, the initial maximum
29 levy rate contained in the ballot proposition approved by the voters to
30 create the district. In subsequent years, the levy rate may be
31 increased as authorized under chapter 84.55 RCW.

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