assets and liabilities of the school districts involved or affected thereby.

In case of the incorporation of a city or town containing territory lying in two or more school districts or of the uniting of two or more cities or towns not located in the same school district, the county superintendent shall: (1) Order and declare to be established in each such case a single school district comprising all of the school districts involved, and (2) designate each such district by name and by a number different from that of any component thereof or of any other district in existence in the county.

The county superintendent may, if he deems such action advisable, fix as the effective date of any declaration or order required under this section the first day of July next succeeding the date of the issuance of such declaration or order.

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CHAPTER 50.

WATER DISTRICTS—SALE OF PROPERTY.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

SECTION 1. The board of commissioners of a water district may sell, at public or private sale, property belonging to the district if the board determines by unanimous vote of the elected members of the board that the property is not and will not be needed for district purposes and if the board gives notice of intention to sell as in this section provided.
The notice of intention to sell shall be published once a week for three consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in the district. The last publication shall be at least twenty days but not more than thirty days before the date of sale. The notice shall describe the property and state the time and place at which it will be sold or offered for sale, the terms of sale, whether the property is to be sold at public or private sale, and if at public sale the notice shall call for bids, fix the conditions thereof and shall reserve the right to reject any and all bids.

Sec. 2. No real property of the district shall be sold for less than ninety percent of the value thereof as established by a written appraisal made not more than six months prior to the date of sale by three disinterested real estate brokers licensed under the laws of the state. The appraisal shall be signed by the appraisers and filed with the secretary of the board of commissioners of the district, who shall keep it at the office of the district open to public inspection. Any notice of intention to sell real property of the district shall recite the appraised value thereof: Provided, That there shall be no private sale of real property where the appraised value exceeds the sum of five hundred dollars.

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