

result contrary to the result thereof as declared prior to such recount, it shall grant such request and shall not recount the ballots of the precincts listed in the application for recount which have not been recounted prior to such time. If the board finds otherwise, it may deny such request and shall continue to recount ballots until the ballots from all of the precincts listed in the application for recount have been recounted: *Provided*, That if such request is denied it may be renewed from time to time. Upon any such renewal the board shall consider and act upon the request in the same manner as provided in this section in connection with an original request.

Passed the Senate February 28, 1961.

Passed the House February 27, 1961.

Approved by the Governor March 6, 1961.

CHAPTER 51.

[S. B. 37.]

CITIES AND TOWNS—DETERMINATION OF POPULATION OF TERRITORY ANNEXED.

AN ACT relating to determination of the population of territory annexed to cities and towns; and amending section 14, chapter 175, Laws of 1957 and RCW 35.13.260.

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

SECTION 1. Section 14, chapter 175, Laws of 1957 and RCW 35.13.260 are each amended to read as follows:

RCW 35.13.260 amended.

Annexation of unincorporated areas (to cities and towns). Determining population—Certificate—As basis for allocation of state funds.

Whenever any territory is annexed to a city or town, a certificate as hereinafter provided shall be submitted in triplicate to the state census board within thirty days of the effective date of annexation specified in the relevant ordinance. After approval of the certificate, the board shall retain the original copy in its files, and transmit the second copy to the secretary of state, and return the third copy to the city or town. Such certificates shall be in such form

and contain such information as shall be prescribed by the board. A legal description and a map showing specifically the boundaries of the annexed territory shall be attached to each of the three copies of the certificate. The certificate shall be signed by the mayor and attested by the city clerk. Upon request, the board shall furnish certification forms to any city or town.

Whenever the effective date of annexation as specified in the relevant ordinance is between April 2nd and August 31st inclusive, in any year, and the annexation certificate is submitted as provided herein, the population of the annexed territory shall be added to the April 1st population as determined for that year by the board, and shall be used for the allocation and distribution of state funds to cities and towns commencing January 1st next following. When a certificate is submitted subsequent to the thirty-day period from the effective date of the annexation as specified in the relevant ordinance, the population of the annexed territory shall not be considered until April 1st of the following year. The resident population of the annexed territory shall be determined by, or under the direction of, the mayor of the city or town. Such population determination shall consist of an actual enumeration of the population which shall be made in accordance with practices and policies, and subject to the approval of, the board. The population shall be determined as of the effective date of annexation as specified in the relevant ordinance.

Until an annexation certificate is filed and approved as provided herein, such annexed territory shall not be considered by the board in determining the population of such city or town.

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