

board, all of the provisions of the state-wide city employees retirement system law shall be applicable.

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CHAPTER 229.

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NON-HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICTS—PARTICIPATION IN PROVIDING CAPITAL FUNDS FOR HIGH SCHOOL FACILITIES IN OTHER DISTRICTS.

AN ACT providing for participation by non-high school districts in providing capital funds for financing the cost of high school facilities.

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

SECTION 1. Upon receipt of a written request from the board of directors of a high school or Union high school district which educates high school students residing in non-high school districts, the county committee on school district organization shall prepare a plan for participation by the non-high school districts in providing capital funds to pay the cost of school building facilities and equipment to be provided for the education of high school students residing in the high school or Union high school and the non-high school districts involved. Prior to submission of such a request the board of directors of the high school or Union high school district shall determine the nature and extent of the high school facilities and equipment proposed to be provided, the approximate amount of local capital funds required to pay the cost thereof, and the site or sites upon which the proposed facilities are to be located, and shall submit a report thereon to the county committee along with the aforesaid request.

Request for plan.

Preparation of plan.

Determinations precedent to request for plan.

Report of determinations.

County committee considerations.

SEC. 2. The said county committee shall give consideration to:

(1) The report submitted by the board of directors of the high school or Union high school district as stated above;

(2) The exclusion from the plan of non-high school districts because of remoteness or isolation or because they are so situated with respect to location, present and/or clearly foreseeable future population, and other pertinent factors as to warrant the establishment of a high school therein or the inclusion of their territory in some other non-high school district within which the establishment of a high school is warranted;

(3) The assessed valuation of the high school or Union high school district and of each non-high school district involved and the ability of each district to issue bonds within the limit of indebtedness prescribed by law;

(4) The cash balance, if any, in the building fund of the high school or Union high school district which is designated for high school building construction purposes, together with the sources of such balance;

(5) Any other factors found by the committee bearing on the preparation of an equitable plan.

Hearing on proposed plan.

SEC. 3. The said county committee shall also hold a public hearing or hearings on any proposed plan: *Provided*, That three members of the committee or two members of the committee and the county superintendent may be designated by the committee to hold such public hearing or hearings and to submit a report thereof to the county committee. The county committee shall cause to be posted, at least twenty days prior to the date appointed for any such hearing, a written or printed notice thereof in at least three prominent and public places in the territory of the school districts involved or affected, on the school-

house door of each such district, and at the place or places of holding the hearing.

SEC. 4. Subsequent to the holding of a hearing or hearings as aforesaid, the county committee shall determine the non-high school districts to be included in the plan and the amount of capital funds to be provided by each such district and by the high school or Union high school district, and shall submit the proposed plan to the state board of education together with such maps and other materials pertaining thereto as the state board may require. The state board shall review such plan, shall approve any plan which in its judgment makes adequate and satisfactory provision for participation by the non-high school districts in providing capital funds to be used for the purpose above stated, and shall notify the county committee of such action. Upon receipt by the county committee of such notification, the county superintendent shall notify the board of directors of each school district included in the plan, supplying each board of directors with complete details of the plan and shall state the total amount of funds to be provided and the amount to be provided by each district.

Submission of proposed plan to state board of education.

Procedure on acceptance.

If any such plan submitted by a county committee is not approved by the state board, the county committee shall be so notified, which notification shall contain a statement of reasons therefor and suggestions for revision. Within sixty days thereafter the county committee shall submit to the state board a revised plan which revision shall be subject to the procedural requirements and provisions of law applicable to an original plan submitted to said board.

Procedure on rejection.

SEC. 5. Upon receipt of the notice of approval from the county superintendent, the board of directors of each school district included in the plan shall, at or prior to the next general election, submit to the voters thereof a proposal or proposals for providing,

Election.

through the issuance of bonds and/or the authorization of an excess tax levy, the amount of capital funds that the district is required to provide under the plan. The proceeds of any such bond issue and/or excess tax levy shall be credited to the building fund of the high school or Union high school district involved and shall be expended to pay the cost of school building facilities and equipment for the education of high school students residing in the school districts included in the plan and not otherwise.

Disposition of proceeds of bond issues and/or excess tax levy.

Rejection by voters; second election.

SEC. 6. In the event that a proposal or proposals for providing capital funds as aforesaid is not approved by the voters of a non-high school district, a second election thereon shall be held within a reasonable time thereafter. If the vote of the electors of the non-high school district is again in the negative, the high school students residing therein shall not be entitled to admission to the high school or Union high school under the provisions of RCW 28.58.230, following the close of the school year during which the second election is held: *Provided*, That in any such case the county committee shall determine the advisability of affording the electors of the non-high school district another opportunity to approve or reject the proposal for providing capital funds as aforesaid, or of revising the plan under which the non-high school district involved shall provide its proportionate share of the required capital funds, or of initiating a proposal for annexation of such non-high school district to the high school or Union high school district included in the plan: *Provided further*, That pending such determination by the county committee and action thereon as required by law the board of directors of the high school or Union high school district shall continue to admit high school students residing in the non-high school district involved.

Third election.

Revision of plan.

Annexation.

Admission of students pending 3d election, revision, or annexation.

SEC. 7. A proposal or proposals for providing capital funds in conformity with any revised plan prepared by the county committee shall be submitted to a vote of the electors of the non-high school district by the board of directors thereof. Any proposal for annexation of a non-high school district to a high school or Union high school district initiated by the county committee as provided for herein shall be subject to the procedural requirements of this act respecting a public hearing and submission to and approval by the state board of education. Upon approval by the state board of any such proposal for annexation, the county superintendent shall make an order establishing such annexation.

Revised
plans;
procedure.

Annexation;
procedure.

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