

## CHAPTER 147

[Substitute House Bill No. 1127]

## SEWER OR WATER SYSTEM TRANSFER FROM A COUNTY TO A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION

AN ACT Relating to the transfer of a sewerage or water system from a county to a municipal corporation; amending section 1, chapter 119, Laws of 1969 and RCW 56.08.015; adding a new section to chapter 114, Laws of 1929 and to chapter 57.04 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 36.93 RCW; and adding new sections to chapter 36.94 RCW.

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

NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. A system of sewerage, system of water or combined water and sewerage systems operated by a county under the authority of this chapter may be transferred from that county to a water or sewer district in the same manner as is provided for the transfer of those functions from a water or sewer district to a county in RCW 36.94.310 through 36.94.340.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. If so provided in the transfer agreement, the area served by the system shall, upon completion of the transfer, be deemed annexed to and become a part of the water or sewer district acquiring the system. The county shall provide notice of the hearing by the county legislative authority on the ordinance executing the transfer agreement under RCW 36.94.330 as follows: (1) By mailed notice to all ratepayers served by the system at least fifteen days prior to the hearing; and (2) by notice in a newspaper of general circulation once at least fifteen days prior to the hearing.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. The provisions of sections 1 and 2 of this act provide an alternative method of accomplishing the transfer permitted by those sections and do not impose additional conditions upon the exercise of powers vested in water and sewer districts and counties.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. If the superior court finds that the transfer agreement authorized by section 1 of this act is legally correct and that the interests of the owners of related indebtedness are protected, then the court by decree shall direct that the transfer be accomplished in accordance with the agreement.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. There is added to chapter 36.93 RCW a new section to read as follows:

Annexations of territory to a water or sewer district pursuant to sections 1 through 4 of this act shall not be reviewed by a boundary review board.

Sec. 6. Section 1, chapter 119, Laws of 1969 and RCW 56.08.015 are each amended to read as follows:

Any sewer district heretofore or hereafter organized and existing may apply to change its name by filing with ~~((the board of county commissioners of))~~ the county legislative authority in which was filed the original petition for the organization of the district, a certified copy of a resolution of its board of commissioners adopted by the majority vote of all the members of said board at a regular meeting thereof providing for such change of name. ~~((The new name shall reflect the service offered by the sewer district.))~~ After approval of the new name by the county ~~((commissioners))~~ legislative authority, all proceedings of such district shall be had under such changed name, but all existing obligations and contracts of the district entered into under its former name shall remain outstanding without change and with the validity thereof unimpaired and unaffected by such change of name, and a change of name heretofore made by any existing sewer district in this state, substantially in the manner above provided is hereby ratified, confirmed and validated.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 7. There is added to chapter 114, Laws of 1929 and to chapter 57.04 RCW a new section to read as follows:

Any water district heretofore or hereafter organized and existing may apply to change its name by filing with the county legislative authority in which was filed the original petition for organization of the district, a certified copy of a resolution of its board of commissioners adopted by majority vote of all of the members of said board at a regular meeting thereof providing for such change of name. After approval of the new name by the county legislative authority, all proceedings for such district, shall be had under such changed name, but all existing obligations and contracts of the district entered into under its former name shall remain outstanding without change and with the validity thereof unimpaired and unaffected by such change of name, and the change of name heretofore made by any existing water district in this state, substantially in the manner above approved is hereby ratified, confirmed, and validated.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 8. Sections 1 through 4 of this act are each added to chapter 36.94 RCW.

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## CHAPTER 148

[House Bill No. 1135]

### MOTOR VEHICLE WARRANTIES

AN ACT Relating to motor vehicle warranties; amending section 3, chapter 240, Laws of 1983 and RCW 19.118.030; and amending section 4, chapter 240, Laws of 1983 and RCW 19.118.040.