

## STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

### RS27378C1 / H0501

This legislation will allow all of the electors in the district in which there is a petition to excise and all the electors in the district in which the area proposed to be annexed to vote on the proposed annexation. It also increases the time period so that the local board of trustees has sufficient time to research the impact of the petition and get input from district patrons.

Currently, only those electors in the area that is being excised are given the ability to vote on the excision. Allowing all district taxpayers in both districts the opportunity to vote in an excision/annexation election will protect all taxpayers from having their taxes increased without their permission. The potential excision of real property in the taxpayers' district would reduce property value in the excision district and would automatically cause the remaining district taxpayers' taxes to be increased.

### FISCAL NOTE

There will be no fiscal impact to the state general fund. There is a possible *additional* fiscal impact to counties who are responsible for conducting the election, in the event no such election would normally occur at the time the excision petition goes to a vote. If no election as prescribed by the consolidated election dates were to take place at the time of the excision petition, the fiscal impact to the county could be between \$1500 for small districts up to \$75,000 for large districts. If an election were to be held at the time of the excision petition, there would be a minimal additional cost to counties conducting the election.

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