

Senate Bill 393

Sponsored by Senator BENTZ (at the request of Blue Mountain Translator District) (Pre-session filed.)

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Authorizes translator districts to annex cities where cable television corporations operate or have ceased operations and city electors approve annexation.

Permits translator district service fee payors to serve on district board.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1
2 Relating to translator districts; amending ORS 354.625 and 354.655.

3 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

4 **SECTION 1.** ORS 354.625 is amended to read:

5 354.625. (1) A translator district may be created as provided by ORS 354.605 to 354.715 for the
6 construction, maintenance and operation of translator stations and the transmission and reception
7 of television broadcast signals in areas so remote from regular transmission points that adequate
8 television programming is not available to the public. The translator transmitting facilities shall
9 conform to all FCC rules and regulations and shall be prohibited from interfering with all existing
10 reception facilities, including but not limited to off-air antennas, CATV or MATV.

11 (2) The boundaries of any district organized under ORS 354.605 to 354.715 shall be determined
12 pursuant to the provisions of ORS 198.720.

13 **(3) Notwithstanding subsection (2) of this section, if a city is entirely surrounded by a**
14 **district and the city is either served by a cable television corporation or a cable television**
15 **corporation has ceased operations in the city, the electors of the city may petition, or the**
16 **district board may decide, to determine whether the city should be annexed into the district.**
17 **A petition or decision by the board to annex the city into the district must satisfy the re-**
18 **quirements of ORS 198.705 to 198.845.**

19 **(4) If the question of annexation is authorized to be submitted to electors under ORS**
20 **198.705 to 198.845, the question shall be submitted to electors of the city at an election called**
21 **for that purpose under ORS 198.705 to 198.845.**

22 **(5) Following the successful passage of an annexation measure described in subsection**
23 **(4) of this section, a district need not thereafter again submit the question of annexation to**
24 **electors of a city within which a cable television corporation again has begun or renewed**
25 **operations in that city.**

26 **SECTION 2.** ORS 354.655 is amended to read:

27 354.655. (1) The district board shall consist of five members, each of whom shall be an elector
28 of the district **or a person who pays service charges under ORS 354.690.** The terms of office for
29 the district board members first elected shall be determined by lot. The terms of two shall expire
30 June 30 next following the first regular district election and the terms of three shall expire June
31 30 next following the second regular district election.

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter *[italic and bracketed]* is existing law to be omitted.
New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

1 (2) As soon as possible after the election and the taking of the oath of office by the members,
2 an organizational meeting shall be held and officers selected. A majority of the members shall con-
3 stitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

4 (3) Except as provided in subsection (1) of this section, the term of office of each district board
5 member is four years.

6 (4) The members of the district board shall serve without compensation, but shall be entitled to
7 receive actual and necessary travel and other expenses incurred in the performance of their duties.

8 (5) The district board shall fill any vacancy on the board in the manner provided in ORS 198.320.

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