

A-Engrossed House Bill 2356

Ordered by the House February 17
Including House Amendments dated February 17

Sponsored by Representative MCLAIN; Representative HARTMAN (at the request of Metro Regional Government)
(Presession 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. The statement includes a measure digest written in compliance with applicable readability standards.

Digest: Adds lands that are inside Metro's UGB to Metro district upon adding to a Metro city. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.6).

Adds lands to a metropolitan service district when those lands are within Metro's urban growth boundary and annexed by a city in Metro.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to a metropolitan service district boundaries; creating new provisions; and amending ORS
3 268.354.

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

5 **SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2025 Act is added to and made a part of ORS chapter 268.**

6 **SECTION 2. Notwithstanding the requirements for boundary changes under ORS 268.354
7 and ORS chapter 198, when a city within the urban growth boundary of a metropolitan ser-
8 vice district annexes a territory under ORS chapter 222 and that territory is within the ur-
9 ban growth boundary of the district, the territory is annexed to the district without further
10 proceedings.**

11 **SECTION 3. Section 2 of this 2025 Act applies to territories annexed by a city on or after
12 the effective date of this 2025 Act.**

13 **SECTION 4. ORS 268.354 is amended to read:**

14 268.354. (1) In addition to the requirements established by ORS chapters 198, 221 and 222 for a
15 boundary change, a metropolitan service district, in consultation with the Metro Policy Advisory
16 Committee, may establish requirements for a boundary change that is subject to the jurisdiction of
17 the district pursuant to ORS 268.347.

18 (2) For a boundary change that is subject to the jurisdiction of the district pursuant to ORS
19 268.347, the district shall:

20 (a) Establish a uniform hearing and notification process.

21 (b) Establish an expedited process for uncontested boundary changes.

22 (c) Establish clear and objective criteria for a boundary change.

23 (d) Ensure that a boundary change is in compliance with the Metro regional framework plan,
24 as defined in ORS 197.015, and cooperative agreements and urban service agreements adopted pur-
25 suant to ORS chapter 195.

26 (3) The role of a metropolitan service district in the boundary determination process shall be

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1 ministerial only.

2 (4) Except as provided in this section and ORS 268.347 and 268.351, for a boundary change
3 subject to the jurisdiction of the metropolitan service district:

4 (a) Proceedings for annexation of territory to a city and for all other changes in city boundaries
5 shall be conducted as provided in ORS chapter 222.

6 (b) Proceedings for annexation of territory to a district, and for all other changes to the
7 boundaries of a district, shall be conducted as provided in ORS chapter 198. Notwithstanding ORS
8 268.020, as used in this paragraph, “district” has the meaning given that term in ORS 268.351.

9 (c) Proceedings for annexation of territory to the metropolitan service district, including
10 annexation of territory not within the urban growth boundary of the district, and for all other
11 changes to the boundaries of the district shall be conducted as provided in ORS chapter 198.

12 (d) Notwithstanding contrary provisions regarding the party responsible for conducting hearings
13 under ORS chapter 198, the metropolitan service district is the governing body responsible for con-
14 ducting proceedings for a minor boundary change to the district. Except for a change to the district
15 boundary by adoption of an urban growth boundary under ORS 268.390 **or annexation under sec-**
16 **tion 2 of this 2025 Act**, proceedings for a minor boundary change to the boundaries of a district
17 shall be conducted as provided in ORS chapter 198.

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