



HB 2356: Good governance fix to reduce time and costs to building housing and industry



Metro's service district annexation process is duplicative and redundant

While most land inside Metro's urban growth boundary is also inside Metro's service district, there are some instances where it is not. State law requires land to be brought into the district when it is annexed by a city. Currently, impacted landowners must undertake two separate processes when they are interested in being annexed to a city: city annexation and a Metro annexation. This redundant, nearly duplicative process adds additional costs and delays to development. It requires landowner application fees, public notices, multiple

meetings of Metro Council and hours of Metro, Department of Revenue and county accessor and clerk staff work.

HB 2356 reduces red tape by combining processes

The bill proposes the city's annexation process also includes Metro service district annexation when impacted land is being annexed by a Metro city.

HB 2356 will:

- Streamline administrative processes for development by cities of land already inside the UGB
- Reduce costs and delays associated with development, including of housing and industry
- Be responsive to concerns of the general public

*At current service district annexation rates, it could take **50 years** to have all of these tax lots available for urbanization by cities.*