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HOUSE BILL NO. 2569

100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE DOGAN.

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DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapter 162, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to school district annexation procedures.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 162, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be
2 known as section 162.877, to read as follows:

**162.877. 1. (1) If any school district desires to be attached to an adjacent special
2 school district, the school board of the district desiring the attachment to the special school
3 district shall first establish a special school district in the school board's jurisdiction as
4 provided in this chapter. After a special school district is established in the school district
5 desiring to attach to an adjacent special school district, the special school district desiring
6 the attachment may follow the procedures for annexation provided in this section.**

7 **(2) If any special school district desires to be attached to an adjacent special school
8 district, the school board of the district proposing annexation shall submit the question to
9 the voters of the district.**

10 **(3) The school board of the special school district proposing annexation shall
11 submit a question under subdivision (2) of this subsection only after receiving a petition
12 requesting the annexation signed by the lesser of:**

13 **(a) A number of voters of the district proposing annexation equal to ten percent of
14 voters voting in the last school election at which school board members were elected; or**

15 **(b) A majority of the voters of the district.**

16 **2. A plat of the proposed changes to all affected special school districts shall be
17 published and posted with the notice of election.**

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

18 **3. The question shall be submitted in substantially the following form: "Shall the**
19 **(name of the special school district proposing annexation) be annexed to the (name of the**
20 **special school district) for special educational services purposes only?"**.

21 **4. (1) If a majority of the votes cast in the special school district proposing**
22 **annexation favor annexation, the secretary of the board shall certify the fact, with a copy**
23 **of the record, to the board of the district proposing annexation, the board of the special**
24 **school district to which annexation is proposed, and the state board of education.**

25 **(2) For each newly created special school district with more than one hundred**
26 **thousand inhabitants, the membership of the governing council shall be expanded to**
27 **include each school district annexed to the special school district under this section. A**
28 **member representing an annexed school district on the governing council shall be elected**
29 **as provided in section 162.856. After the new governing council member is elected, a new**
30 **special school district board shall be elected as provided in sections 162.670 to 162.974 after**
31 **a redistricting under subdivision (4) of this subsection.**

32 **(3) For each newly created special school district with no more than one hundred**
33 **thousand inhabitants, new board members shall be elected as provided in sections 162.670**
34 **to 162.974 after a redistricting under subdivision (4) of this subsection.**

35 **(4) (a) The existing special school district board of education shall, upon formation**
36 **of a new special school district under this section and each decade within ninety days after**
37 **each decennial census has been reported to the President of the United States, adopt a**
38 **resolution calling for the formation of a redistricting committee. Upon adoption of such**
39 **resolution, the secretary of the board of education shall forward a certified copy thereof**
40 **to the state board of education. The redistricting committee shall consist of three residents**
41 **within the district, appointed by the board of education of the special school district, plus**
42 **three additional persons residing within the special school district, appointed by the state**
43 **board. Thereafter, the redistricting committee shall meet, organize itself with a chair and**
44 **secretary, and proceed with the adoption of a redistricting plan. Any plan proposed to be**
45 **adopted shall receive approval of a majority of the whole redistricting committee before**
46 **its adoption. Upon adoption, the redistricting committee shall forward a copy of the plan**
47 **certified by the secretary of the redistricting committee to the state board for its approval**
48 **or disapproval. The state board shall approve any redistricting plan that divides the**
49 **special school district into seven subdistricts of equal population, taking into account as**
50 **much as possible existing school district boundary lines. Upon approval by the state board,**
51 **the redistricting plan shall become effective and all board members elected thereafter shall**
52 **be elected from subdistricts in which they reside. If the plan is disapproved, it shall be**
53 **returned to the redistricting committee for revision and resubmission. If a redistricting**

54 **plan has not been adopted within one year after the publication of the decennial census**
55 **figures, the state board shall provide the redistricting plan. No member of the redistricting**
56 **committee shall serve on the board of education for a period of six years following such**
57 **service on the redistricting committee.**

58 **(b) Within thirty days after the adoption of a redistricting plan, the state board of**
59 **education shall call a special election for the election of school board members of the new**
60 **special school district. Such special district school board members shall be elected as**
61 **provided in sections 162.670 to 162.974.**

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