

# House Joint Resolution 6

Sponsored by Representative GREENLICK (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 **as introduced**.

Proposes amendment to Oregon Constitution to allow Legislative Assembly to provide for consolidation of metropolitan service district with county, and replacement of existing metropolitan service district charter with new charter for consolidated county and metropolitan service district.

Refers proposed amendment to people for their approval or rejection at next regular general election.

## JOINT RESOLUTION

**Be It Resolved by the Legislative Assembly of the State of Oregon:**

**PARAGRAPH 1.** Section 14, Article XI of the Constitution of the State of Oregon, is amended to read:

**Sec. 14.** (1) The Legislative Assembly shall provide by law a method whereby the legal electors of any metropolitan service district organized under the laws of this state, by majority vote of such electors voting thereon at any legally called election, may adopt, amend, revise or repeal a district charter.

(2) A district charter shall prescribe the organization of the district government and shall provide directly, or by its authority, for the number, election or appointment, qualifications, tenure, compensation, powers and duties of such officers as the district considers necessary. Such officers shall among them exercise all the powers and perform all the duties, as granted to, imposed upon or distributed among district officers by the Constitution or laws of this state, by the district charter or by its authority.

(3) A district charter may provide for the exercise by ordinance of powers granted to the district by the Constitution or laws of this state.

(4) A metropolitan service district shall have jurisdiction over matters of metropolitan concern as set forth in the charter of the district.

(5) The initiative and referendum powers reserved to the people by this Constitution hereby are further reserved to the legal electors of a metropolitan service district relative to the adoption, amendment, revision or repeal of a district charter and district legislation enacted thereunder. Such powers shall be exercised in the manner provided for county measures under section 10, Article VI of this Constitution.

**(6) The Legislative Assembly may provide by law for the consolidation of a metropolitan service district that has adopted a district charter and a county if the territory of the metropolitan service district is entirely within the county proposed for consolidation with the metropolitan service district. The consolidation must be approved by a majority of the electors voting at any legally called election within the county. If the consolidation is approved, the existing charter for the metropolitan service district is repealed in the manner provided by law.**

**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       **(7) At the same election at which a proposed consolidation of a metropolitan service**  
2 **district and a county is considered, the Legislative Assembly may also place on the ballot a**  
3 **charter for the combined county and metropolitan service district. If approved by a majority**  
4 **of the electors voting within the county, the charter shall become the charter for the com-**  
5 **bined county and metropolitan service district.**

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7       **PARAGRAPH 2. The amendment proposed by this resolution shall be submitted to the**  
8 **people for their approval or rejection at the next regular general election held throughout**  
9 **this state.**

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