## Senate Bill 600

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## **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.

Directs district boundary board to accept petition from city for change in school district boundaries if certain conditions met.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

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- Relating to school district boundaries; creating new provisions; amending ORS 330.092; and declaring an emergency.
- 4 Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2013 Act is added to and made a part of ORS chapter 330.
  - <u>SECTION 2.</u> (1) Upon receipt of a petition meeting the requirements of subsections (2) to (4) of this section, the district boundary board shall order a boundary change.
  - (2) A petition for a proposed change allowed under this section may be submitted only by a city that:
    - (a) Is amending its comprehensive plan and land use regulations to plan and zone land annexed to the city as the result of an urban growth boundary expansion that occurred within three years before the date of the submission of the petition; and
      - (b) Has made findings that a change in the boundary of the school district would:
      - (A) Decrease total transportation costs for the affected school districts; and
      - (B) Result in greater efficiencies in the delivery of educational services.
      - (3) A petition submitted under this section shall:
    - (a) Be directed to the district boundary board of the county or counties having jurisdiction over the affected school districts;
      - (b) Contain the names and numbers of the school districts affected by the change;
    - (c) Contain a concise statement of the type of change requested and a legal description of the portion of the school district that will be the subject of the change; and
    - (d) Contain a proposal for the distribution of the assets and liabilities of the area affected by the proposed change.
    - (4) A petition may be submitted under this section only if one district boundary board must issue an order related to the change.
    - (5) Before a petition for a proposed change is considered, the district boundary board shall give notice in the same manner provided by ORS 330.400 of the proposed change and the session of the board at which it will be considered. If the district boundary board determines that the petition meets the requirements of subsections (2) to (4) of this section, the board shall issue an order that the change shall become effective as provided in ORS 330.103. The

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board may not allow a remonstrance petition or election.

(6) If a boundary change made under this section causes a school to be located in a different school district, the employees of the school may elect to transfer to the different school district. If an employee elects a transfer as provided by this subsection, the employee may not be deprived of seniority or accumulated sick leave solely because the duties of the employee have been assumed or acquired by the different school district.

**SECTION 3.** ORS 330.092 is amended to read:

330.092. The boundaries of a school district may not be changed except:

- (1) Pursuant to ORS 330.090 (1) or (3) or section 2 of this 2013 Act.
- (2) By a vote of the people pursuant to the lengthening of the course of study under ORS chapter 335.
- (3) By the mutual consent of the district school boards of the two or more affected districts in the manner prescribed in ORS 330.080 to 330.107.
- (4) On a request for change or merger proposal submitted to the district boundary board by electors of the affected districts in the manner prescribed in ORS 330.080 to 330.107.

SECTION 4. This 2013 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2013 Act takes effect on its passage.