

House Bill 2356

Sponsored by Representative MCLAIN (at the request of Metro Regional Government) (Pre-session filed.)

SUMMARY

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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 under ORS chapter 222, the territory is annexed to the
10 district without further 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
27 ministerial only.

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

30 (a) Proceedings for annexation of territory to a city and for all other changes in city boundaries

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 shall be conducted as provided in ORS chapter 222.

2 (b) Proceedings for annexation of territory to a district, and for all other changes to the
3 boundaries of a district, shall be conducted as provided in ORS chapter 198. Notwithstanding ORS
4 268.020, as used in this paragraph, “district” has the meaning given that term in ORS 268.351.

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

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

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