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By Representatives Rodne, Springer, Hargrove, Sullivan, Magendanz, Takko, Kochmar, Pettigrew, Fitzgibbon, and Ryu

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1 AN ACT Relating to the annexation of unincorporated territory
2 within a code city; and amending RCW 35A.14.295.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 35A.14.295 and 1997 c 429 s 36 are each amended to
5 read as follows:

6 (1) The legislative body of a code city may resolve to annex
7 territory (~~containing residential property owners~~) to the city if
8 there is within the city, unincorporated territory:

9 (a) Containing less than one hundred seventy-five acres and having
10 at least eighty percent of the boundaries of such area contiguous to
11 the code city; or

12 (b) Of any size and having at least eighty percent of the
13 boundaries of such area contiguous to the city (~~if such area existed~~
14 ~~before June 30, 1994~~), and is within the same county and within the
15 same urban growth area designated under RCW 36.70A.110, and the city
16 (~~was~~) is planning under chapter 36.70A RCW (~~as of June 30, 1994~~).

17 (2) The resolution shall describe the boundaries of the area to be
18 annexed, state the number of voters residing therein as nearly as may
19 be, and set a date for a public hearing on such resolution for

1 annexation. Notice of the hearing shall be given by publication of the
2 resolution at least once a week for two weeks prior to the date of the
3 hearing, in one or more newspapers of general circulation within the
4 code city and one or more newspapers of general circulation within the
5 area to be annexed.

6 (3) For purposes of subsection (1)(b) of this section, territory
7 bounded by a river, lake, or other body of water is considered
8 contiguous to a city that is also bounded by the same river, lake, or
9 other body of water.

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