ORIGINAL SENATE FILE NO. 0076

ENROLLED ACT NO. 25, SENATE

FIFTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING 2003 GENERAL SESSION

AN ACT relating to cities and towns; modifying the requirements and procedures for annexation; and providing for an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:

**Section 1.** W.S. 15-1-402 (c) (v), 15-1-403 (c) and (d) and 15-1-405 are amended to read:

## 15-1-402. Annexing territories; findings required; when contiguity not deemed affected; annexation report.

- (c) An annexing municipality shall prepare a proposed annexation report as specified in this subsection. The report shall, at a minimum, contain:
- (v) The current and projected property  $\frac{\text{taxes}}{\text{tax}}$  mill levies imposed by the municipality; and
- 15-1-403. Annexing territories; initiation of proceedings; by landowners' petition; validity of signatures; determinations.
- (c) The clerk shall refer the petition to the governing body which, without undue delay, shall take appropriate steps to within ten (10) days from the date the petition is filed, determine if the petition substantially complies with this article.
- (d) If the petition complies, the governing body shall adopt a resolution certifying clerk shall certify compliance, and the procedure outlined in W.S. 15-1-402, 15-1-405 and 15-1-406 shall then be followed. If it does not comply the petitioner shall be notified that no further

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action will be taken on the petition until compliance is made.

## 15-1-405. Annexing territories; public hearing required; notice thereof.

- (a) In any annexation proceeding the governing body shall establish a date, time and place for a public hearing to determine if the proposed annexation complies with W.S. 15-1-402. The hearing shall be held not less than sixty (60) thirty (30) days nor more than one hundred twenty (120) one hundred eighty (180) days after the effective date of the resolution petition has been certified to be complete.
- The clerk shall give notice of the public hearing by publishing a notice at least twice in a newspaper of general circulation in the territory sought to be annexed. The first notice shall be given at least twenty (20) fifteen (15) business days prior to the date of the public hearing. The notice shall contain a location map which includes identifiable landmarks and boundaries of the area sought to be annexed and the area which will, as a result of the annexation then be brought within one-half (1/2)mile of the new corporate limits of the city, if it has exercised the authority granted under W.S. 15-3-202(b)(ii). notice shall include a summary of the annexation report prepared pursuant to W.S. 15-1-402(c). Upon written request to the clerk of the annexing municipality, the clerk shall provide a legal description of the area and the names of the persons owning property within the area.

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Section 2. This act is effective July 1, 2003.

(END)

Speaker of the House	President of the Senate
Governor	
TIME APPROVED: DATE APPROVED:	
I hereby certify that this act	originated in the Senate.
Chief Clerk	