STATE OF WYOMING

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0127

Special district enlargements.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Simpson and Senator(s) Coe

A BILL

for

- 1 AN ACT relating to special districts; modifying
- 2 requirements for elections on enlargement petitions; and
- 3 providing for an effective date.

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

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7 **Section 1.** W.S. 22-29-301(a) is amended to read:

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9 22-29-301. Enlargement petitions.

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- 11 (a) When the voters of an area wish to join a
- 12 district, they may file an enlargement petition with the
- 13 county commissioners. If there are no voters within an area
- 14 proposed to be included in a district, the landowners of
- 15 the area may file an enlargement petition with the county
- 16 commissioners. Unless otherwise provided under this
- 17 subsection, the petition for enlargement shall include

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1 provisions allowing the board of district directors to be 2 enlarged by one (1) or more positions to be filled by 3 voters residing or located in the new area, the number of 4 positions to be determined by the petitioners and the 5 district directors of the existing district. Before the petition is filed with the county commissioners, it shall 6 be approved by the directors of the affected district and 7 by any other agency also required by the principal act to 8 9 approve the petition. The petition process shall be 10 governed by W.S. 22-29-105 through 22-29-108. An election 11 need not be held on an enlargement petition nor do 12 additional directors need be elected or appointed if the 13 petition alleges and the county commissioners find: 14 15 (i) All landowners within the new area and the 16 board of directors of the district agree to the inclusion 17 of the new area within the district; and: 18 19 (ii) (A) There are no voters residing in the new 20 area; - or 21 22 (B) A majority of the voters residing in the new area have signed a petition which includes the 23 24 statement that by signing the petition the person agrees to

the enlargement without an election and without the
election or appointment of additional directors and that
any mill levy imposed upon property of the existing
district shall also be imposed upon the area to be included
in the district.

Section 2. This act is effective July 1, 2002.

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