



# HB0457 compared with HB0457S02

19 **Utah Code Sections Affected:**

20 AMENDS:

21 **10-2-814**, as renumbered and amended by Laws of Utah 2025, Chapter 399

22 **17-73-507**, as renumbered and amended by Laws of Utah 2025, First Special Session,  
23 **Chapter 13**

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25 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

26 Section 1. Section **10-2-814** is amended to read:

27 **10-2-814. Automatic annexations in counties of the first class and second class.**

25 (1) As used in this section:

26 (a) "Most populous bordering municipality" means the municipality with the highest population of any  
27 municipality that shares a common border with an unincorporated island.

29 (b) "Unincorporated island" means~~[-an area that is]:~~

30 (i) ~~{an area}~~ within a county of the first class~~[-];~~ , an area that is:

31 ~~[(ii)] (A)~~ not within a municipality; and

32 ~~[(iii)] (B)~~ completely surrounded by land that is within one or more municipalities within the county of  
33 the first class~~[-];~~ or

34 ~~(ii)~~ {an area} within a county of the second class with a population of 350,000 or less, an area that is:

35 (A) ~~{25}~~ 55 acres or smaller;

36 (B) not within a municipality; ~~{and}~~

37 (C) completely surrounded by land that is within one ~~{or more municipalities}~~ municipality within the  
38 county of the second class~~[-];~~ and

39 ~~{(2)}~~

~~{(a)}~~

(I) provided sanitary sewer service or culinary water service by the most populous bordering  
municipality; or

45 (II) not provided sanitary sewer service or culinary water service.

46 (2)

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this part, on July 1, 2027, an unincorporated island is  
automatically annexed to:

41 (i) the most populous bordering municipality, except as provided in Subsection (2)(a)(ii) or (3); or

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- 43 (ii) a municipality other than the most populous bordering municipality if:
- 44 (A) the other municipality shares a common border with the unincorporated island; and
- 46 (B) the other municipality and the most populous bordering municipality each adopt a resolution agreeing that the unincorporated island should be annexed to the other municipality.
- 49 (b) The effective date of an annexation under Subsection (2)(a) is governed by Section 10-2-813.
- 51 (3) A legislative body of a county of the second class may exempt an unincorporated island or a portion of an unincorporated island from the requirements of this section by adopting a resolution on or before May 1, 2027, that includes a description or map of each exempted unincorporated island or portion of an unincorporated island.

62 Section 2. Section 17-73-507 is amended to read:

63 **17-73-507. Final plats of local entity boundary actions -- County surveyor approval of final plat -- Plat requirements.**

- 65 (1) Upon request and in consultation with the county recorder, the county surveyor of each county in which property depicted on a plat is located shall determine whether the plat is a final local entity plat.
- 68 (2)
- (a) If a county surveyor determines that a plat meets the requirements of Subsection (3), the county surveyor shall approve the plat as a final local entity plat.
- 70 (b) The county surveyor shall indicate the approval of a plat as a final local entity plat on the face of the final local entity plat.
- 72 (3) A plat may not be approved as a final local entity plat unless the plat:
- 73 (a) contains a graphical illustration depicting:
- 74 (i) in the case of a proposed creation or incorporation of a local entity, the boundary of the proposed local entity;
- 76 (ii) in the case of a proposed annexation of an area into an existing local entity, the boundary of the area proposed to be annexed, which may include non-contiguous areas;
- 79 (iii) in the case of a proposed adjustment of a boundary between local entities, the boundary of the area that the boundary adjustment proposes to move from inside the boundary of one local entity to inside the boundary of another local entity;
- 82 (iv) in the case of a proposed withdrawal or disconnection of an area from a local entity, the boundary of the area that is proposed to be withdrawn or disconnected;

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- 84 (v) in the case of a proposed consolidation of multiple local entities, the boundary of the proposed  
consolidated local entity; and
- 86 (vi) in the case of a proposed division of a local entity into multiple local entities, the boundary of each  
new local entity created by the proposed division;
- 88 (b) is created on reproducible material that is:
- 89 (i) permanent in nature; and
- 90 (ii) the size and type specified by the county recorder;
- 91 (c) is drawn to a scale so that all data are legible;
- 92 (d) contains complete and accurate boundary information, including, as appropriate, calls along existing  
boundary lines, sufficient to enable:
- 94 (i) the county surveyor to establish the boundary on the ground, in the event of a dispute about the  
accurate location of the boundary; and
- 96 (ii) the county recorder to identify, for tax purposes, each tract or parcel included within the boundary;
- 98 (e) depicts a name for the plat, approved by the county recorder, that is sufficiently unique to  
distinguish the plat from all other recorded plats in the county;
- 100 (f) contains:
- 101 (i) the name of the local entity whose boundary is depicted on the plat;
- 102 (ii) the name of each county within which any property depicted on the plat is located;
- 103 (iii) the date that the plat was prepared;
- 104 (iv) a north arrow and legend;
- 105 (v) a signature block for:
- 106 (A) the signatures of:
- 107 (I) the professional land surveyor who prepared the plat; and
- 108 (II) the local entity's approving authority; and
- 109 (B) the approval of the county surveyor; and
- 110 (vi) a three-inch by three-inch block in the lower right hand corner for the county recorder's use when  
recording the plat;
- 112 (g) has been certified and signed by a professional land surveyor licensed under Title 58, Chapter 22,  
Professional Engineers and Professional Land Surveyors Licensing Act; and
- 115 (h) has been reviewed and signed by the approving authority of the local entity whose boundary is  
depicted on the plat.

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- 117 (4) The county surveyor may charge and collect a reasonable fee for the costs associated with:  
119 (a) the process of determining whether a plat is a final local entity plat; and  
120 (b) the approval of a plat as a final local entity plat.

121 Section 3. **Effective date.**

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This bill takes effect on May 6, 2026.

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