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House Bill 5671 (as passed by the House)  
Sponsor: Representative Joe Hune  
House Committee: Local government and Urban Policy  
Senate Committee: Local, Urban and State Affairs

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### **CONTENT**

**The bill would amend the Home Rule City Act to require the State Boundary Commission to give at least 30 days' notice of a public hearing on an annexation petition or resolution to each person residing within 300 feet of the area proposed for annexation, as well as to people residing within that area.**

Under the Act, a petition or resolution for annexation of territory must be filed with the State Boundary Commission, which must hold a public hearing in or reasonably near the area proposed for annexation. In processing an annexation petition, the Commission has the same powers and duties as provided in Public Act 191 of 1968 (which governs the Commission) relating to petitions that propose incorporations. These include publishing notice of the hearing and giving notice by certified mail to the clerks of the affected municipalities.

Under the bill, in addition to providing notice to property owners and people residing in the area proposed for annexation, the Commission would have to give notice of each public hearing to property owners and each person residing within 300 feet of the area proposed for annexation. The Commission would have to give the notice by certified mail at least 30 days before the hearing.

At least 45 days before the hearing, the local unit of government containing the affected territory would have to provide the Commission with the names and addresses of all of the people to whom the Commission would have to give notice.

Additionally, the bill would require that the Commission mail a copy of any final order issued under the Act's annexation provisions to each person who received notice of a hearing.

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### **FISCAL IMPACT**

The bill would increase local unit expenses by an indeterminate amount. Depending on the local unit and the areas affected by the bill, the increase in expenditures would generally be minimal.

This estimate is preliminary and will be revised as new information becomes available.

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