

**468.119 Annexation of additional lands.**

1. After the establishment of a levee or drainage district, if the board becomes convinced that additional lands contiguous to the district, and without regard to county boundaries, are benefited by the improvement or that the same are then receiving benefit or will be benefited by a repair or improvement to said district as contemplated in section 468.126, it may adopt, with or without a petition from owners of the proposed annexed lands, a resolution of necessity for the annexation of such additional land and appoint an engineer with the qualifications provided in this subchapter, parts 1 through 5, to examine such additional lands, to make a survey and plat thereof showing their relation, elevation, and condition of drainage with reference to such established district, and to make and file with the auditor a report as in this subchapter, parts 1 through 5, provided for the original establishment of such district, said report to specify the character of the benefits received.

2. In the event the additional lands are a part of an existing drainage district, as an alternative procedure to that established by subsection 1, the lands may be annexed in either of the following methods:

a. (1) A petition, proposing that the lands be included in a contiguous drainage district and signed by at least twenty percent of the landowners of those lands to be annexed, shall be filed with the governing board of each affected district.

(2) The board of the district in which the lands are presently included may, at its next regular meeting or at a special meeting called for that purpose, adopt a resolution approving and consenting to the annexation.

b. Whenever the owners of all of the land proposed to be annexed file a petition with the governing boards of the affected districts, the consent of the board in which the lands are then located shall not be required to consent to the annexation, and the board of the annexing district may proceed as provided in this section.

3. If either method of annexation provided for in subsection 2 is completed, the board of the district to which the lands are to be annexed may adopt a resolution of necessity for the annexation of the additional lands, as provided in this section.

4. The right of remonstrance, as provided under section 468.28, does not apply to the owners of lands being involuntarily annexed to an established district.

[S13, §1989-a54; C24, 27, 31, 35, 39, §7549; C46, 50, 54, 58, 62, 66, 71, 73, 75, 77, 79, 81, §455.128]

85 Acts, ch 163, §5; 89 Acts, ch 126, §2

CS89, §468.119

2009 Acts, ch 41, §140

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