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## LICENSING

**558.010 Definitions for ORS 558.010 to 558.140.** As used in ORS 558.010 to 558.140 and 558.990:

(1) "Department" means the State Department of Agriculture.

(2) "Person" includes any public or private corporation.

[1953 c.654 §1; 1955 c.61 §4]

**558.020 Purpose of ORS 558.010 to 558.140 and 558.990.** The purpose of ORS 558.010 to 558.140 and 558.990 is to promote the public health, safety and welfare by providing for the licensing, regulation and control of interference by artificial means with the natural precipitation of rain, snow, hail, moisture or water in any form contained in the atmosphere.

[1953 c.654 §2]

**558.030 Artificial weather modification prohibited without license.** No person, without securing a license from the department, shall cause or attempt to cause by artificial means condensation or precipitation of rain, snow, hail, moisture or water in any form contained in the atmosphere, or shall prevent or attempt to prevent by artificial means the natural condensation or precipitation of rain, snow, hail, moisture or water in any form contained in the atmosphere.

[1953 c.654 §3]

**558.040 Application for license; fee.**

(1) Any person desiring to do any of the acts specified in ORS 558.030 may file with the department an application for a license on a form to be supplied by the department for such purpose setting forth all of the following:

(a) The name and post-office address of the applicant.

(b) The education, experience and qualifications of the applicant, or if the applicant is not an individual, the education, experience and qualifications of the persons who will be in control and in charge of the operation of the applicant.

(c) The name and post-office address of the person on whose behalf the weather modification operation is to be conducted if other than the applicant.

(d) The nature and object of the weather modification operation which applicant proposes to conduct, including a general description of such operation.

(e) The method and type of equipment

and the type and composition of the materials that the applicant proposes to use.

(f) Such other pertinent information as the department may require.

(2) Each application shall be accompanied by a filing fee in the sum of \$100, and proof of financial responsibility as required by ORS 558.050.

[1953 c.654 §4]

**558.050 Applicant to file proof of financial responsibility.** (1) No license shall be issued to any person until he has filed with the department proof of ability to respond in damages for liability on account of accidents arising out of the weather modification operations to be conducted by him in the amount of \$50,000 because of bodily injury to or death of one person resulting from any one accident, and, subject to said limit for one person, in the amount of \$100,000 because of bodily injury to or death of two or more persons resulting from any one accident, and in the amount of \$100,000 because of injury to or destruction of property of others resulting from any one accident.

(2) Proof of financial responsibility may be given by filing with the department a certificate of insurance or a bond or a certificate of deposit of money in the same manner and with the same effect as provided by ORS chapter 486.

[1953 c.654 §13]

**558.060 Issuance of license; licensee's authority; use of improper materials cause for suspension or revocation; renewal.** (1) The department shall issue a license to each applicant who:

(a) By education, skill or experience appears to be qualified to undertake the weather modification operation proposed in his application;

(b) Files proof of his financial responsibility as required by ORS 558.050; and

(c) Pays the license fee.

(2) Each such license shall entitle the applicant to conduct the operations described in the application for the calendar year for which the license is issued unless the license is sooner revoked or suspended. The conducting of any weather modification operation or the use of any equipment or materials other than those described in the application shall be cause for revocation or suspension of the license.

(3) The license may be renewed annually

by payment of a filing fee in the sum of \$50.  
[1953 c.654 §5]

558.065 [1965 c.336 §2; repealed by 1967 c.225 §1  
(558.066 enacted in lieu of 558.066)]

**558.066 Governmental entities conducting weather modification at airport exempted.** The State of Oregon or its agencies, counties, cities, public corporations or political subdivisions thereof or any person engaged by any of them for the purpose of removing or dispersing fog, or carrying out or performing any other weather modification at an airport owned or operated by the State of Oregon or its agencies, counties, cities, public corporations or political subdivisions thereof, are exempt from the provisions of ORS 558.010 to 558.140 and 558.990 in respect to such operations at such airport only.

[1967 c.225 §2 (enacted in lieu of 558.065)]

**558.070 Filing notice of intention before undertaking operation; confining activities within limits specified in notice.** Prior to undertaking any operation authorized by the license, the licensee shall file with the department and cause to be published a notice of intention. The licensee shall then confine his activities substantially within the time and area limits set forth in the notice of intention.

[1953 c.654 §6]

**558.080 Contents of notice of intention.** The notice of intention shall set forth all of the following:

(1) The name and post-office address of the licensee.

(2) The name and post-office address of the person on whose behalf the weather modification operation is to be conducted if other than the licensee.

(3) The nature and object of the weather modification operation which licensee proposes to conduct, including a general description of such operation.

(4) The method and type of equipment and the type and composition of the materials that the licensee proposes to use.

(5) The area in which and the approximate time during which the operation will be conducted.

(6) The area which will be affected by the operation as near as the same may be determined in advance.

[1953 c.654 §7]

**558.090 Publication of notice of intention.** The licensee shall cause the notice of intention to be published at least once a week for two consecutive weeks in a news-

paper having a general circulation and published within any county wherein the operation is to be conducted and in which the affected area is located, or if the operation is to be conducted in more than one county or if the affected area is located in more than one county or is located in a county other than the one in which the operation is to be conducted, then such notice shall be published in like manner in a newspaper having a general circulation and published within each of such counties. In case there is no newspaper published within the appropriate county, publication shall be made in a newspaper having a general circulation within the county.

[1953 c.654 §8]

**558.100 Proof of publication.** Proof of publication shall be filed by the licensee with the department within 15 days from the date of the last publication of the notice. Proof of publication shall be by copy of the notice as published, attached to and made a part of the affidavit of the publisher or foreman of the newspaper publishing the notice.

[1953 c.654 §9]

**558.110 Records and reports of operations; public examination.** (1) Each licensee shall keep and maintain a record of all operations conducted by him pursuant to his license showing the method employed, the type of equipment, the type and composition of the materials used, the times and places of operation of the equipment, the name and post-office address of each person participating or assisting in the operation other than the licensee, and such other information as may be required by the department, and shall report the same to the department at such times as it may require.

(2) The records of the department and the reports of all licensees shall be available for public examination.

[1953 c.654 §10]

**558.120 Emergency licenses.** Notwithstanding any provision of ORS 558.010 to 558.140 and 558.990 to the contrary, the department may grant a license permitting a weather modification operation without compliance by the licensee with the provisions of ORS 558.080 to 558.110 and without publication of the notice of intention as required by ORS 558.070, if the operation appears to the department to be necessary or desirable in aid of the extinguishment of fires, dispersal of fog, or other emergency.

[1953 c.654 §11]

**558.130 Suspension or revocation of license by department; appeal.** (1) Any license may be revoked or suspended if the department finds after due notice to the licensee and a hearing thereon, that the licensee has failed or refused to comply with any of the provisions of ORS 558.010 to 558.140 and 558.990.

(2) Any licensee may appeal from any order of the department to the circuit court for the County of Marion within 20 days after service of the order. The appeal shall be heard and tried de novo in the manner provided by law for the trial of suits in equity.

(3) Either the department or the licensee may appeal from the order or decree of the circuit court to the Supreme Court in the same manner that appeals may be taken in suits in equity.

[1953 c.654 §12]

**558.140 Appropriation for administration and enforcement.** All moneys received by the department under ORS 558.010 to 558.140 and 558.990, in addition to any other appropriation of funds available for the administration of ORS 558.010 to 558.140 and 558.990, hereby are continuously appropriated to the department for the purpose of defraying the costs and expenses incurred in the administration and enforcement of ORS 558.010 to 558.140 and 558.990.

[1955 c.61 §3]

## WEATHER MODIFICATION DISTRICTS (General Provisions)

**558.200 "County court" defined.** As used in ORS 558.200 to 558.670, "county court" includes board of county commissioners.

[1969 c.698 §1]

**558.205 Initiative and referendum.** In the exercise of initiative and referendum powers reserved under the Constitution of this state to the legal voters of every municipality and district as to all local, special and municipal legislation of every sort and character in and for their respective municipalities and districts, the general laws of the state as applied to cities and towns shall govern in these districts, except that the measures referred by the commissioners shall be filed with the secretary not less than 30 days before the election at which they are to be voted upon. The chairman of the commissioners shall act as mayor and perform his duties, the secretary shall perform the duties of auditor or recorder, the attor-

ney shall perform the duties of city attorney, and if there is no attorney, the secretary shall perform the duties required of the attorney.

[1969 c.698 §35]

## (Incorporation)

**558.210 Incorporation for weather modification; limitations as to area.** Any designated area within a county bordering the Columbia River and having a population of less than 21,000, according to the latest federal decennial census, or within two or more of such counties, may be incorporated as a weather modification district for the purpose of:

(1) Causing or attempting to cause by artificial means condensation or precipitation of rain, snow, hail, moisture or water in any form contained in the atmosphere; or

(2) Preventing or attempting to prevent by artificial means the natural condensation or precipitation of rain, snow, hail, moisture or water in any form contained in the atmosphere.

[1969 c.698 §3]

**558.215 Petition for incorporation.** (1) Whenever 25 percent of the legal voters or 100 legal voters, whichever is more, of an area described by ORS 558.210, which area may contain territory in one or more counties, desire the formation of a weather modification district pursuant to ORS 558.210, they may sign and present a petition to the county court of the county in which the proposed district, or largest area thereof, is located. The petition shall be substantially in the following form:

### WARNING

It is a felony for anyone to sign any initiative or referendum petition with any name other than his own, or knowingly to sign his name more than once for the measure, or to sign said petition when he is not a legal voter.

Petition for the formation of a weather modification district, in the County (or Counties) of \_\_\_\_\_, State of Oregon, for the purpose of weather modification.

To the Honorable County Court of the State of Oregon for the County of \_\_\_\_\_:

We, the undersigned, citizens and legal voters of the State of Oregon and the County (or Counties) of \_\_\_\_\_, and residents within the limits of the area in said

county (or counties) hereinafter described, respectfully demand that there be submitted to the legal voters of the State of Oregon who reside and have continuously resided in said area for the three months immediately preceding the date of the election hereby petitioned for in the area described as follows, to wit: (Here insert description of the area embracing the district to be formed at a special election to be called by the county court) the question whether or not the area shall be formed as a weather modification district to be known as (here insert proposed name) and to elect \_\_\_\_\_ (here insert the number of commissioners, not more than five) commissioners to carry out the purposes of the formation in accordance with ORS 558.250 to 558.670, and each for himself says: I have personally signed the petition; I am a legal voter of the State of Oregon and the County of \_\_\_\_\_, and a resident of that portion of the county in the area described in this petition. My residence and post-office address are correctly written after my name.

Name \_\_\_\_\_, Residence \_\_\_\_\_,  
Post Office \_\_\_\_\_.

(Here follow 20 lines for signatures.)

(2) Each sheet of the petition containing signatures shall be verified on its back substantially in the following form by the affidavit of the person who circulated the sheet:

State of Oregon, }  
County of \_\_\_\_\_, } ss.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, being first duly sworn, say: (Here shall be legibly written or type-written the names of the signers of the sheet) signed their names to this sheet in my presence. I believe that each has stated his name, post-office address and residence correctly, and that each signer is a legal voter of the State of Oregon and resident within that area described in the petition. (Signature and post-office address of affiant.)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 19\_\_\_\_.

(Signature and title of officer before whom oath was made, and his post-office address.)

(3) The forms given in this section are not mandatory, and if substantially followed are sufficient, disregarding any clerical and merely technical errors.

[1969 c.698 §4]

**558.220 Bond to accompany petition; payment of costs of organization.** A petition for the formation of a weather modification district shall be accompanied by a good and sufficient bond in the form and amount approved by the county court, conditioned that the petitioners will pay the costs of attempted formation, election and organization in case organization is not effected. In the event the district is organized the district shall be liable for such costs.

[1969 c.698 §17]

**558.225 Notice of hearing on petition.**

(1) The county court shall examine the petition and if it finds that the petition satisfies the requirements of ORS 558.215, it shall set a date for a hearing on the petition and direct the county clerk to give notice of the hearing by:

(a) Posting a notice of the hearing in three public places in the area of the district to be formed not less than 20 days before the hearing; and

(b) Publishing a notice of the hearing once a week for two successive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation printed or published within the area of the district to be formed. If a newspaper is not so printed or published, the publication shall be made in a newspaper of general circulation printed and published within the county in which the largest part of the proposed district is located.

(2) The notice of hearing shall state:

(a) That a petition has been filed for establishment of a weather modification district.

(b) The name and boundaries of the proposed district.

(c) The time and place set for the hearing on the petition.

(d) That all persons interested may appear and be heard.

[1969 c.698 §5]

**558.230 Counterpetition opposing formation.** If, within 60 days after first publication of such notice, there is filed, in the same place where such petition was filed, a counterpetition signed by the owners of at least 50 percent of the acreage within the proposed district, exclusive of state and federally owned lands, opposing formation of such district, the court shall enter an order dismissing the petition for creation of the district and revoking the order fixing a time and place for first hearing on such petition.

[1969 c.698 §6a]

**558.235 Hearing on petition; revision of boundaries.** (1) At the time designated in the notice the county court shall hear the petition and may adjourn the hearing from time to time. The court may alter the boundaries set forth in the petition to include all territory which may be benefited by inclusion within the district. The court shall not modify the boundaries of the district as set forth in the petition so as to exclude from it any land which could be benefited by its formation, nor shall there be included in the proposed district any land which will not, in the judgment of the court, be benefited. For the purposes of ORS 558.200 to 558.670, forest lands within a forest protection district as defined in ORS chapter 477, shall not be considered benefited property and shall not be included in a weather modification district unless the owner of the forest lands petitions the county court of the county in which the proposed district, or largest area thereof is located, to have his lands included.

(2) If the court concludes that any land has been improperly omitted from the district and that the owner has not appeared at the hearing, it shall continue further hearing of the petition and shall order notice given to the nonappearing owner requiring him to appear and show cause, if any he has, why his land should not be included in the proposed district. The notice shall be given either by publication in the same manner as notice of the original hearing and for the same period or by personal service on each nonappearing owner. If notice is given by personal service, such service shall be made at least 10 days prior to the date fixed for the hearing.

[1969 c.698 §6]

**558.240 District boundaries.** The boundary lines of any district created under ORS 558.200 to 558.670 shall include only such territory as may in reason be served by the district's weather modification activities.

[1969 c.698 §20]

**558.245 Order for election; polling places; judges of elections.** (1) If upon final hearing of the petition the county court approves the petition as originally presented or in its altered form, it shall make an order containing a description of the exterior boundaries of the proposed district as determined by the county court and designating the polling place or places for the election. Such order shall provide for the holding of

an election at the same time as the next succeeding state-wide primary or general election, for the purpose of submitting to the qualified voters the question of forming the district. Such election may not be held earlier than the 30th day after the date of such order.

(2) At the time the order is made the county court shall select one or more polling places in the proposed district and shall make necessary arrangements for the election.

(3) The county clerk shall appoint three judges for each polling place. The judges shall be electors within the said district.

[1969 c.698 §7]

**558.250 Notice of election.** A copy of the order shall be posted for four successive weeks prior to the election in three public places within the proposed district and shall also be published once a week for four successive weeks prior to the election in a newspaper of general circulation in the proposed district. If there is no such newspaper, the notice shall be published in some newspaper published and of general circulation in the county in which the largest area of the proposed district lies.

[1969 c.698 §8]

**558.255 Commissioners of first board; filing nominating petitions; qualifications.**

(1) Petitions for candidates to be voted for as commissioners shall contain the names of not less than 25 voters entitled to vote at the formation election, or 10 percent of the voters entitled to vote at the formation election, whichever is less, and shall be filed with the officer who makes up the ballot not less than 10 days before the election.

(2) The county clerk, at the time of making up the official ballot, shall place thereon to be voted on at the election for formation, the names of all electors petitioned for to run as commissioners whose petitions have been filed in the office of the county clerk not less than 10 days before the date of the election.

(3) Commissioners shall be owners of the land within the district but need not reside within the district.

[1969 c.698 §9]

**558.260 Election ballot; hours; procedure; compensation of boards; qualification of voters.** (1) The ballot shall contain a description of the area proposed to be formed

into the district and the words "For Formation \_\_\_\_\_ Yes" and "Against Formation \_\_\_\_\_ No" or equivalent words.

(2) The polls shall be kept open between the hours provided for in the case of general elections and notice of such special election shall be given as provided for in ORS 558.250. The procedure for such elections, except as otherwise herein specifically set out, shall be as provided for in cases of general elections.

(3) Each judge and clerk of the formation election shall be compensated at a rate of not less than \$1 per hour and not less than \$6 per day. The specific compensation shall be fixed and allowed by the county court or board of county commissioners and shall be paid by the county clerk from a fund for that purpose.

(4) No person is authorized to vote at the election unless he is an elector of the State of Oregon and resides in the proposed district.

[1969 c.698 §§ 10, 11, 12, 16]

**558.265 Order of formation; contesting validity of formation.** (1) If a majority of the votes cast favor formation of the district, the county court shall within 30 days of the date of the election make and cause to be entered in its journal an order that a district with the name and boundaries stated in the order calling the election and setting forth the boundaries has been established. No proceeding may be maintained contesting the validity of the formation of such district unless instituted within 30 days after the entry of said order.

(2) If the majority of the votes cast are against formation of the district, the county court shall within 30 days of the date of the election by order so declare.

[1969 c.698 §13]

**558.270 Certificates of election for commissioners.** The county court shall also canvass the votes for commissioners and cause the county clerk to issue certificates of election to the number named in the petition for formation who received the highest number of votes.

[1969 c.698 §14]

**558.275 Mandamus to compel filing petition or calling election.** If the county clerk refuses to accept and file the petition for formation, or if the county court refuses to call a special election as provided in ORS 558.225 to 558.235, 558.245 and 558.250, any citizen of the territory may apply within 10

days after such refusal to the circuit court of the county for a writ of mandamus to compel the county court or county clerk to do so. If it is decided by the circuit court that the formation petition is legally sufficient and the requisite number of signatures is attached, the circuit court shall direct the county court to call the election. Such suit shall be advanced on the docket and decided by the circuit court as quickly as possible. Either party may appeal to the Supreme Court within 10 days after the decision is rendered by serving upon the adverse party or his attorney a notice of appeal and filing the original of the notice with the clerk of the circuit court.

[1969 c.698 §15]

#### (Powers of District)

**558.300 Existence, status and general powers of district.** From and after the date of the proclamation pursuant to ORS 558.265, that part of the county embraced within the boundaries described in the proclamation shall be a separate public corporation for the purpose of weather modification, to be known by the name specified in the proclamation. As such it shall have perpetual succession. By that name it shall exercise and carry out the corporate powers and objects conferred and declared in ORS 558.200 to 558.670. It shall make all contracts, hold and receive and dispose of real and personal property within and without its described boundaries and do all other acts and things which may be requisite, necessary or convenient in carrying out the objects of the district or exercising the powers conferred upon it as in ORS 558.200 to 558.670 set out and expressed, sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in all actions and suits or other proceedings brought by or against it.

[1969 c.698 §18]

**558.310 Limitation on right to own or operate equipment.** No weather modification district shall own or operate airplanes, chemicals or other equipment or appliances for weather modification activities, but must when conducting weather modification activities hire a person licensed under the provisions of ORS 558.010 to 558.140 and 558.990.

[1969 c.698 §60]

**558.315 Regulations concerning district property.** Any weather modification district may adopt and promulgate rules and regulations concerning the use of the property of the district.

[1969 c.698 §27]

**558.320 Duty to carry liability insurance.** A weather modification district shall obtain not later than the 60th day after the date of the election forming such district and before beginning any weather modification activities liability insurance coverage of not less than \$500,000 bodily injury and \$500,000 property damage, to reimburse persons for damages arising from weather modification activities.

[1969 c.698 §61]

**558.325 Cooperative agreements between districts.** Weather modification districts organized under ORS 558.200 to 558.670 may enter into cooperative agreements with each other providing for the joint use or control of facilities for weather modification.

[1969 c.698 §28]

**558.330 Contracts between district and an included city.** If a city has been annexed to a weather modification district under ORS 558.510 and 558.520, the city and the weather modification district may enter into contracts and agreements to do any act or thing which either could have been done if the annexation had not occurred.

[1969 c.698 §40]

**558.340 Tax assessment, levy and collection.** (1) The district may assess, levy and collect taxes each year not to exceed one-fourth of one percent (.0025) of the true cash value of all taxable property within the limits of the district, computed in accordance with ORS 308.207. The proceeds of the tax shall be applied by it in carrying out the objects and purposes of ORS 558.210, 558.215, 558.225 to 558.275, 558.300 and 558.345 and for the purpose of financing the employees' retirement system.

(2) Any such taxes needed shall be levied in each year and returned to the county officer whose duty it is to extend the tax roll by the time required by law for city taxes to be levied and returned.

(3) All taxes levied by the district shall become payable at the same time and be collected by the same officer who collects county taxes, and shall be turned over to the district according to law. The county officer whose duty it is to extend the county levy shall extend the levy of the district in the same manner as city taxes are extended.

(4) Property shall be subject to sale for nonpayment of taxes levied by the district in like manner and with like effect as in the case of county and state taxes.

[1969 c.698 §26]

**558.345 Disposal of taxes levied when organization declared invalid.** When an attempt has been made to organize a district under the provisions of ORS 558.200 to 558.670 and subsequently by a decree of a court of competent jurisdiction it has been declared that the organization is invalid, but prior to such decree the invalid organization has levied taxes, the funds derived from the levy shall be disposed of as follows:

(1) If the area embraced in the invalid organization is embraced in a subsequently created organization composed of unincorporated or incorporated territory, or combinations thereof, for the purpose of weather modification, the custodian of the taxes collected for the invalid organization shall turn them over to the subsequent organization to be used only for the purpose of weather modification.

(2) If the subsequent organization does not embrace all territory embraced in the invalid organization, such taxes as have been collected from the levy upon property in areas not embraced in the subsequent organization shall be refunded to the payers thereof by the custodian of the taxes before the balance is turned over to the subsequent organization.

(3) If no such subsequent organization is created for weather modification, within a period of two years after the entry of the decree of invalidation, the taxes collected shall be refunded by the custodian of them to the taxpayers who paid them.

[1969 c.698 §19]

**558.350 Employees' retirement system authorized.** (1) A weather modification district organized under ORS 558.200 to 558.670 may establish an employees' retirement system. The commissioners may enter into agreements necessary to establish the system and carry out the plan and may agree to modifications of such agreements from time to time.

(2) The retirement plan may provide for retirement benefits measured on the basis of services rendered or to be rendered by an employe, either before or after the date on which such employe first becomes a member of the retirement plan. The retirement plan may provide for a minimum of years of service and a minimum and maximum age of retirement for the employe.

[1969 c.698 §56]

**558.355 District to budget for retirement system.** The district may budget and provide for payment into the fund of the retirement plan an amount sufficient:

(1) To provide on an actuarial reserve basis the amortized level premium cost of the retirement benefits which, under the provision of the retirement system, are to be provided by the district to its employes who attain the retirement age or retire in accordance with the terms of the retirement plan.

(2) To meet the actuarially computed costs of retirement benefits measured on the basis of services rendered or to be rendered by an employe before or after the date on which such employe becomes a member of the retirement plan.

[1969 c.698 §57]

**558.360 Employe contribution.** The district may collect, as a contribution from any employe, that percentage of the salary received by the employe which is necessary to fund on an actuarial reserve basis the cost of retirement benefits which the employe is required to provide pursuant to the provisions of a retirement plan.

[1969 c.698 §58]

**558.365 Limitation on membership.** Nothing in ORS 558.200 to 558.670 authorizes the district to budget, provide for payments or collect contributions to fund retirement benefits for an individual who is not in the employment of the district at the time of the creation of a membership status under a retirement plan.

[1969 c.698 §59]

#### (Board of Commissioners)

**558.400 Powers of district in board; qualifications, terms and election of commissioners.** (1) The power and authority given to districts organized under ORS 558.200 to 558.670 except as therein otherwise provided is vested in and shall be exercised by a board of commissioners of the number named in the petition for formation, but not more than five, each of whom shall be a qualified voter and freeholder within the district.

(2) Within 10 days after issuance of the proclamation provided under ORS 558.265, the number of commissioners named in the petition for formation who received the highest vote at the election for formation shall meet and organize, first taking and subscribing an oath of office to the effect that they will support the Constitutions of the United

States and of this state and the laws thereof, and will discharge faithfully the duties of commissioner to the best of their ability. They shall determine by lot the length of term each shall hold office, the shortest term being until January 1 following, and the longest term being for the number of years after said January 1 equal to the number of commissioners less one, and the terms shall be so arranged that the term of one member expires each year.

(3) A general election shall be held in the district on the first Monday of December of each year for the election of one commissioner to succeed the commissioner whose term expires the following January 1, and to elect commissioners to fill any vacancy which then may exist. At all elections the voters shall have the qualifications of electors of this state and shall have resided in the territory embraced in the district for at least 90 days preceding the election. At the regular meeting of the commissioners in November, or, if the regular meeting is less than 15 days before the election, at a special meeting of the commissioners in November, they shall select three judges of election, who shall be electors at the election and who shall constitute a board of election of the district. At that meeting, the commissioners shall select the polling places for the regular election in the district, and shall cause to be given notice of the place of holding the election and the names of the judges of election. The notices shall be posted in three public places in the district at least 10 days prior to the day of election, or published at least once a week for two successive weeks, prior to the day of election, in at least one newspaper published or generally circulated in the district. The first publication shall be at least 14 days and the last publication at least seven days prior to the day of election. The secretary of the commissioners shall prepare sample and official ballots upon which shall be printed the names of all persons nominated for commissioners whose petitions contain the names of not less than 10 electors in the district, or 10 percent of the electors in the district, whichever is less, and which petitions have been filed with the secretary not less than 10 days before the election. The election shall be conducted and the votes counted and canvassed by the commissioners and certificates of election issued the same as in general, state and county elections, except as otherwise provided in ORS 558.200 to 558.670.

[1969 c.698 §29]

**558.405 Vacancies.** A vacancy in the office of any commissioner for any cause, including removal from the district, shall be filled by the remaining commissioners until their first regular meeting in the January following, when that office shall be filled for the remaining part of the term of the commissioner who ceased to be such, by vote of the electors of the district at the regular election in December preceding.  
[1969 c.698 §33]

**558.410 Board meetings; officers; quorum; treasurer's bond; employing assistance; employe benefits; interest of officer in contracts prohibited.** (1) The commissioners shall hold meetings at such time and place within the district as they may determine upon. Such meetings must be open to the public. They shall hold at least one regular meeting in each month on a day to be fixed by them, and may hold special meetings under such rules as they may make.

(2) The commissioners shall, at the time of their organization, choose from their number a chairman, a secretary and a treasurer, who shall hold their offices until the first regular meeting in January, or until their successors are elected and qualified. These officers shall have, respectively, the powers and shall perform the duties usual in such cases and shall be known as the president, secretary and treasurer of the district. A majority shall constitute a quorum to do business and, in the absence of the chairman, any other member may preside at any meeting. The treasurer as such shall give bonds to the district conditioned for the paying over by him of all moneys coming into his hands as such treasurer, the amount of which bonds shall be fixed by the commissioners, based upon the amount of money in the hands of the treasurer or likely to come into his hands as such. All expense incident to giving such bonds shall be paid by the district out of its general funds.

(3) The commissioners may employ such engineers, superintendents, mechanics, clerks or other persons as they may find requisite, necessary or convenient in carrying on any work of the district and at such rate of remuneration as they may deem just, and pay the expenses actually incurred by any one or more commissioners in the services of the district.

(4) The commissioners may provide life insurance and retirement or pension plans

for employes of a weather modification district, provided the insurer issuing such policy is licensed to do business in the State of Oregon.

(5) No commissioner or other officer of the district shall be interested directly or indirectly in any contract with or on behalf of the district.  
[1969 c.698 §31]

**558.415 Increasing number of commissioners.** (1) If the number of commissioners in a particular district is less than five, then, upon receipt of petitions containing the names of not less than 25 electors in the district and requesting that an election be held in the district on the proposition of increasing the number of commissioners to five and nominating a candidate or candidates for each additional position, each of whom shall be a qualified voter and freeholder within the district, the commissioners may, at their discretion, call a special election of the electors of the district to vote on the proposition and on the candidates. The election shall be held in the same manner as the annual election of the district and with the same notice. If the proposition is approved by a majority of the electors voting at such election, the number of commissioners named in the petitions requesting the election, who received the highest vote at the election, shall take office as of the next regular meeting of commissioners following the election, after first taking and subscribing the oath of office.

(2) If only one additional commissioner is so elected he shall hold office for a term of one year longer than the longest remaining term of the then existing commissioners. If more than one additional commissioner is so elected, the newly elected commissioners shall at such meeting determine by lot the length of term each shall hold office, the shortest term being one year longer than the longest remaining term of the then existing commissioners and the longest term being for the number of years after the following January 1 equal to the number of commissioners less one, and the terms of all commissioners being so arranged that the term of one member expires each year.  
[1969 c.698 §32]

**558.420 Recall.** (1) Every commissioner of a weather modification district is subject to recall by the legal voters of the district for which he is elected or appointed.

(2) After filing with the secretary of the commission a petition signed by a number of legal voters of the district equal to 25 percent or 100, whichever is less, of the number of legal voters of such district demanding a commissioner's recall, the legal voters of the district may recall a commissioner.

(3) The petition shall state concisely the reasons for the recall. If the commissioner offers his resignation, it shall be accepted. If the commissioner does not resign within five days after receiving a copy of the petition from the secretary of the board, the board of commissioners of the district shall, at its next regular meeting, call a special election to be held not later than 25 days after filing of the petition. At the election there shall be submitted to the legal voters of the district the question of whether the commissioner should be recalled and a successor elected to serve the remainder of the term for which the commissioner was originally elected. On the ballot at such election there shall be printed in not more than 200 words the reasons for demanding the recall and, also in not more than 200 words, any defense of his official conduct offered by the commissioner whose recall is sought. Such election shall be called and notice given as provided in ORS 558.440.

(4) At recall elections candidates to succeed the commissioner sought to be recalled may be nominated by being named in the recall petition or they may be nominated by petition signed by 30 legal voters which shall be filed with the secretary within 10 days after filing the recall petition with the secretary.  
[1969 c.698 §34]

**558.430 Deposit and withdrawal of moneys; annual reports; records.** (1) All moneys of the district shall be deposited in one or more banks, to be designated by the commissioners; and shall be withdrawn or paid out only when previously ordered by vote of the commissioners, and upon checks signed by the treasurer and countersigned by the chairman, or in his absence or inability to act, by the secretary. A receipt or voucher, showing clearly the nature and items covered by each check drawn, shall be kept on file.

(2) Annual reports shall be made and filed by the chairman, secretary and treasurer, and at least once in each year a full and complete itemized statement of receipts and expenditures shall be published in a

newspaper of general circulation, published in the county in which the district is situate.

(3) All the proceedings of the commissioners shall be entered at large in a record book. All books, maps, plans, documents, correspondence, vouchers, reports and other papers and records pertaining to the business of the district shall be carefully preserved and shall be open to inspection as public records in the office of the county clerk of the county in which the greater part of the district is located.  
[1969 c.698 §36]

**558.440 Calling special elections.** The commissioners at any regular meeting of the board of commissioners may call a special election of the electors of the district. The commissioners shall cause notice of the special election to be posted in three conspicuous places within the district for a period of not less than 10 days prior to the date of holding the special election, or published at least once a week for two successive weeks, prior to the day of election, in at least one newspaper published or generally circulated in the district. The first publication shall be at least 14 days and the last publication at least seven days prior to the day of election. Such elections must be held at the same time as the next succeeding state-wide primary or general election.  
[1969 c.698 §30]

**558.445 Polling hours at elections.** At all elections subsequent to the election on the question of the formation of the district, the polls shall be open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. on election day. However, the governing body of the district may provide by resolution that the polls shall be open from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. on election day if the election is a general election held on the first Monday of December for the purpose of electing one or more commissioners and no matter other than the election of commissioners is to be voted on at the election.  
[1969 c.698 §2]

#### (Annexation, Withdrawal)

**558.500 Annexation authority; petition; annexation order when owners consent.** (1) Any territory contiguous to an existing weather modification district created pursuant to ORS 558.210, and not within the boundaries of such a district or of cities, may be included in and incorporated with such district by petition of 15 percent of the legal

voters in the contiguous territory filed with the county clerk of the county in which the contiguous territory or the greater part thereof is located and by subsequent proceedings in the county court of the county in which the petition was filed. The proceedings and the rights and powers and duties of petitioners and objectors shall be the same as in an original proceeding forming a weather modification district.

(2) The petition shall be approved by the board of commissioners of the district by indorsement thereon before it is filed with the county clerk.

(3) If the petition is signed and acknowledged by the owners or contract purchasers of all lands to be included, specifically describing such lands, an election in the territory and in the district shall be dispensed with and, after the hearing on the petition, the county court shall enter its order including the territory within the existing district.

(4) If the petition is signed and acknowledged by the owners or contract purchasers of only a part of the lands to be included, the order of the county court shall not be entered until the board of commissioners of the district and the county clerk with whom the petition was filed shall each verify to the county court that an election has been held in the district and in the contiguous territory, on the question, and that a majority of the votes cast in the district and a majority of the votes cast in the contiguous territory, severally, favored inclusion of the contiguous territory.

(5) Upon entry of the order of the county court incorporating the contiguous territory with the existing district the territory shall become subject to the indebtedness of the district in like manner as the territory within the district.

[1969 c.698 §37]

**558.510 Annexation of city to district; conditions.** Whenever any city has been incorporated and the territory included within the city, or the major portion thereof, was formerly within the boundaries of and a part of a district organized under ORS 558.200 to 558.670, such city upon the approval of the majority of the votes cast by its legal voters at an election called for the purpose, may elect to be annexed to and become a part of the district for the purpose of supplying weather modification to the city's inhabitants. The election shall be called and held in the manner provided by the city charter.

If the city has no charter provisions governing elections, such election may be called and conducted in accordance with an ordinance of the city specifying procedure in accordance with section 1, Article IV, Oregon Constitution.

[1969 c.698 §38]

**558.520 City voters' approval of annexation; certification of results; order.** (1) Upon canvassing the vote on the question of annexing city territory to the weather modification district, the city, through its appropriate officers, shall certify to the county court of the county in which the city lies, the fact of the approval by the legal voters of the proposition to include the territory of the city or town in the district and shall present such certificate to the board of commissioners of the district, who, if they approve the same, shall indorse on the certification the fact that the annexation of such territory is approved by the board of commissioners and shall call a special election in the district at which election the question of the annexation of the territory of the city to the district for weather modification purposes shall be submitted to the legal voters of the district for their approval or rejection. Such election shall be held within 50 days of the receipt by the board of commissioners of the district of the certificate of the results of the election in the city.

(2) If the voters of the district approve the annexation, the board of commissioners shall attach to the certificate of the city their own certificate setting forth the results of the election and shall transmit both certificates to the county court. The county court shall thereupon at its next meeting make and enter an order to the effect that the territory included in such city is annexed to the district. Thereafter the city territory, together with any territory thereafter annexed to the city, shall be included in the boundaries of such district and shall be subject to all liabilities of the district in the same manner and to the same extent as other territory included therein for the purpose of weather modification.

(3) No other function of the city shall be deemed in any way limited or abated by the annexation.

[1969 c.698 §39]

**558.550 Withdrawal of territory; petition.** The real property owners resident within a weather modification district created pursuant to ORS 558.210, may at any time

after two years from the date of formation petition the county court of the county wherein the district was formed for the withdrawal of a designated and described contiguous area lying along the boundary of and included in the district.

[1969 c.698 §48]

**558.555 Deposit to defray costs when petition filed; notice of filing.** At the time of filing the petition, the petitioners shall deposit with the county clerk a sum of money sufficient to defray all costs of publication and of holding an election in the weather modification district remaining should the designated area be withdrawn and shall cause notice of the petition filing to be given in writing to the secretary of the board of commissioners of the weather modification district. The petitioners shall furnish the secretary with a copy of the petition as filed within five days after it is filed.

[1969 c.698 §49]

**558.560 Hearing on petition; notice.** (1) If it appears to the satisfaction of the county court that the petition has been signed by 10 percent or 100, whichever is less, of the real property owners resident within the weather modification district, it shall fix a time and place for hearing of the petition. The time of hearing shall not be less than 31 nor more than 50 days from the date of receipt of the petition.

(2) At least 10 days prior to the hearing the county court shall publish notice of the hearing by two insertions in a newspaper of general circulation in the district.

[1969 c.698 §50]

**558.565 Withdrawal order if no remonstrance.** If at the time and place set for hearing the petition no written or oral objection or remonstrance is made or filed, the county court shall enter an order withdrawing the designated and described contiguous area from the weather modification district.

[1969 c.698 §51]

**558.570 Election order if remonstrance filed.** If at the time and place of the hearing any remonstrance is filed or objections made orally or in writing to the withdrawal of the area from the district, the county court shall call an election in the weather modification district upon the question of the withdrawal of the area.

[1969 c.698 §52]

**558.575 Election procedure; ballot.** The election shall be held in the same manner and under the same conditions and restrictions as provided by law for an annual election of a weather modification district, except the ballots for the withdrawal election shall state in substance the following proposition:

“Shall that portion of (insert name of weather modification district) comprising the following area, to wit: (insert description of premises to be withdrawn) be withdrawn from said district?”

“Yes”

“No”

[1969 c.698 §53]

**558.580 Election results; withdrawal order.** If at the election the majority of legal votes cast favor withdrawal of the area, the county court shall enter an order upon its records withdrawing the area from the district. If at the election the majority of votes cast are against withdrawal, the county court shall cause the results of the election to be entered upon its records.

[1969 c.698 §54]

**558.585 Effect of withdrawal.** The designated and described contiguous area withdrawn shall, from the date of entry of the withdrawal order, be free from assessments and taxes levied by the weather modification district.

[1969 c.698 §55]

#### (Consolidation, Dissolution)

**558.600 Consolidation procedure; petition; debt distribution plan; election.** (1) Two or more weather modification districts, whose boundaries adjoin, may be consolidated to form a single weather modification district as provided in ORS 558.600 to 558.630.

(2) Whenever a petition, signed by not less than 15 percent of the legal voters or not less than 100 legal voters, whichever is less, of each of the districts which it is desired to consolidate, is presented to the board of commissioners of the weather modification districts named in the petition as the districts to be consolidated, each of the boards shall at their next ensuing regular meeting call a special election in their respective districts at which election there shall be submitted to the electors of each district the question of whether or not the districts shall be consolidated into a single weather modification

district, stating the name by which the consolidated district shall be known.

(3) A petition for consolidation may also include a debt distribution plan to be voted upon as a part of the consolidation proposal. Such plan may provide for any distribution of indebtedness and may require that the prior existing districts remain solely liable for all or any portion of any indebtedness outstanding at the time of the consolidation.

(4) The elections shall be called and held in the same manner as elections provided for in ORS 558.400 and 558.440. The board of commissioners of each district at its first regular meeting following the date of the special election shall canvass the vote on the measure and certify the result to the board of commissioners of each of the districts which are sought to be consolidated.  
[1969 c.698 §41]

**558.610 Selection of temporary board; transfer of records and property.** (1) If at the special elections a majority of the legal voters voting in each district votes in favor of consolidation, the board of commissioners of the district having the highest assessed valuation of property for tax purposes shall call a joint meeting of the boards of commissioners of the districts concerned. The meeting shall be held at a time and place designated by the board calling the meeting, not later than 10 days after the canvass of the vote in the district last canvassed. The secretary of the board calling the meeting shall give notice by registered mail of the time and place of the meeting to each member of the boards of commissioners of the districts concerned. The notice shall be mailed at least five days prior to the meeting. At the joint meeting, a majority of the number of the board of commissioners of each of the districts affected shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The commissioners so assembled shall thereupon from among their number elect five persons to serve as commissioners of the consolidated districts until the next general election.

(2) The board of commissioners of the consolidated district so elected shall then immediately meet and organize as provided in ORS 558.400 and 558.410 and shall by resolution declare the districts consolidated and shall transmit to the county clerks of the counties where the consolidated district is situated a copy of the resolution, together with a copy of the certification of vote in each district voting on the question. From

the time of adoption of such resolution the consolidation shall be deemed complete.

(3) The board of commissioners and officers of the former existing districts included within the consolidated district shall turn over to the board of commissioners of the consolidated district all funds, property, contracts and records of the prior existing districts.

[1969 c.698 §42]

**558.620 Succession to property, rights, powers and liabilities of former districts.** Upon completion of consolidation, the consolidated districts shall succeed to all the property, contracts, rights and powers of the districts consolidated, and shall constitute and be a regularly organized weather modification district as if originally organized in the manner provided by ORS 558.200, 558.210 to 558.235, 558.245 to 558.275 and 558.445. The district shall become liable for all the obligations legal or contractual of the prior existing districts which were consolidated.

[1969 c.698 §43]

**558.630 Election of board for consolidated district.** At the first general election to be held in the consolidated district on the first Monday in December following consolidation there shall be elected five commissioners whose terms of office shall be determined in the manner provided by ORS 558.400 for the commissioners of newly organized weather modification districts.

[1969 c.698 §44]

**558.650 Dissolution procedure; findings of facts; dissolution plan.** (1) Whenever the board of commissioners of any district formed pursuant to ORS 558.210 has determined that it is to the best interest of its inhabitants that the district be dissolved and liquidated, or whenever 25 percent of the legal voters or 100 legal voters, whichever is more, of the district desire the dissolution of the district and have signed and presented a petition to the county court of the district to that effect, the board of commissioners shall make findings of fact as to the following:

- (a) The estimated cost of dissolution.
- (b) The assets of the district.
- (c) A detailed statement of all lands acquired by the district for delinquent taxes or delinquent assessments and the amount of the taxes and assessments on each parcel of land sold.

(d) All taxes or assessments unpaid and the amount upon each lot or tract of land and all other assets of the district.

(2) The board of commissioners shall propose a plan of dissolution and liquidation which may include provision for transfer and conveyance of all assets of the district to any other weather modification district which will undertake to continue as a weather modification district.

(3) The findings of fact and proposed plan of dissolution and liquidation shall be filed in the office of the county clerk of the county in which the major portion of the district is situated.

[1969 c.698 §45]

**558.660 Special election on dissolution; procedure; notice; ballot.** (1) Whenever the board of commissioners has complied with the provisions of ORS 558.650, it shall thereupon order a special election to be conducted as provided in this section, at which shall be submitted to the electors of the district the question of whether or not the district shall be dissolved and its assets distributed in accordance with the plan proposed.

(2) Notice of such election must be given by posting notices in three public places in each election precinct in the district at least 15 days prior to the election and also by publication of the notice in some newspaper published in the county where the office of the board of commissioners is required to be kept, once a week for three successive weeks before the election. The notices must specify the time of holding the election, the fact that it is proposed to dissolve the district and a brief summary of the plan proposed for disposing of its assets.

(3) The election shall be held and the

result thereof determined and declared in all respects as nearly as practicable in conformity with the provisions governing election of officers in the district.

(4) At the election the ballot shall contain the words "Dissolution—Yes" or "Dissolution—No" or words equivalent thereto. [1969 c.698 §46]

**558.670 Dissolution order; liquidation; statement filed with county clerk.** (1) The board of commissioners shall name a day for canvassing the vote and if it appears that a majority or more of the votes cast are "Dissolution—Yes," the board shall declare the district to be disorganized and dissolved.

(2) The board of commissioners shall thereupon constitute a board of trustees who shall dispose of the property of the district.

(3) In case any other weather modification district undertakes weather modification pursuant to the plan of dissolution and liquidation, the board of trustees may convey to the weather modification district all assets of the district as described in ORS 558.650.

(4) Upon completing liquidation of the district, the board of trustees shall execute, under oath, a signed statement that the district has been dissolved and its affairs liquidated, which statement shall be filed in the office of the county clerk of the county in which the major portion of the dissolved district was situated.

[1969 c.698 §47]

**PENALTIES**

**558.990 Penalties.** Any person who violates any provision of ORS 558.010 to 558.140 and 558.990 shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. [1953 c.654 §14]

**CERTIFICATE OF LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL**

Pursuant to ORS 173.170, I, Robert W. Lundy, Legislative Counsel, do hereby certify that I have compared each section printed in this chapter with the original section in the enrolled bill, and that the sections in this chapter are correct copies of the enrolled sections, with the exception of the changes in form permitted by ORS 173.160 and other changes specifically authorized by law.  
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