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GENERAL

330.005 Division of state into school districts; definitions. (1) For public school purposes, this state is divided into subdivisions known as school districts:

(2) For purposes of the school laws of this state, unless the context requires otherwise, "school district" includes:

(a) "Administrative school district," a common school district formed in accordance with ORS 330.505 to 330.780.

(b) "Common school district," a school district other than a union high school district formed primarily to provide education in all or part of grades 1 through 12 to pupils residing within the district.

(c) "Joint school district," a common or union high school district with territory in more than one county.

(d) "Union high school district," a school district, other than a common school district, formed in accordance with ORS 335.210 to 335.485 (1963 Replacement Part).

(3) "Governing body of the county" means the county court, the board of county commissioners or the unit of government designated by the county charter to exercise the power or duty prescribed in the section in which the term occurs.

(4) "Most populous district" means the school district which has the largest number of pupils in average daily membership, as defined in ORS 327.006. [1965 c.100 §71; 1971 c.513 §86; 1989 c.819 §1a]

330.010 [Repealed by 1965 c.100 §456]

330.020 [Amended by 1963 c.282 §1, repealed by 1965 c.100 §456]

330.030 [Repealed by 1965 c.100 §456]

330.040 [Amended by 1955 c.386 §1; 1957 c.310 §7; repealed by 1963 c.282 §16]

330.050 [Amended by 1961 c.522 §6; 1963 c.282 §14, 1965 c.100 §78, renumbered 330.123]

330.060 [Amended by 1963 c.282 §2; repealed by 1965 c.100 §456]

BOUNDARY CHANGE PROCEDURE

330.080 Composition, purpose and organization of district boundary board. (1) The education service district board shall constitute the district boundary board for laying off the county in convenient school districts. In any county in which there is no education service district board, the governing body of the county shall constitute the district boundary board. The district boundary board shall have jurisdiction over all school districts in the county and over all joint districts, the administrative offices of which are in the county.

(2) The district boundary board shall make alterations and changes in the school districts in the manner specified by law. The board shall maintain a record showing the boundaries and numbers of the districts in the county based on records in the office of the county assessor. [Formerly 329.710; 1965 c.100 §72; 1989 c.819 §2]

330.085 [Formerly 329.720, repealed by 1965 c.100 §456]

330.090 Mergers. (1) The district boundary board shall enter an order directing a school district to be merged with an adjoining school district designated by the board if it finds that continuation of the district is not required because of geographic factors affecting transportation or because of sparsity of population and if:

(a) The school district fails to maintain and operate a school for more than two successive years without approval of the State Board of Education; or

(b) The school district is in a county with 35,000 or less population and has an average daily membership of fewer than six children; or

(c) The school district is in a county with more than 35,000 population and has an average daily membership of fewer than 18 children for each of two successive years, as certified by the Superintendent of Public Instruction.

(2) The order of the district boundary board shall take effect as provided in ORS 330.103.

(3) Except as provided in ORS 330.101 (2), the district boundary board on the request of the district school boards of the affected districts or on petition of five percent or 500 electors of each affected district, whichever is less, shall merge smaller districts into larger districts or change the boundaries of common or union high school districts.

(4) No boundary change or merger shall be made which results in a school district having fewer than 20 children of school age.

(5) If the district boundary board fails to follow the time schedules prescribed in ORS 330.107 or to approve a request or petition under subsection (3) of this section, the district school boards of the affected school districts or the petitioners may appeal to the State Board of Education to order the proposed boundary change or merger. The state board shall order the change or merger and shall direct the district boundary board to perform the duties described in ORS 330.101 in the same manner as if the district boundary board had ordered the boundary change or merger. [1963 c.282 §13(1), (8); 1965 c.100 §73, 1967 c.298 §1; 1969 c.235 §1; 1979 c.256 §1; 1985 c.364 §1; 1989 c.491 §14; 1989 c.819 §3]

330.092 Basis for boundary changes. On or after July 1, 1989, the boundaries of a school district shall not be changed except:

- (1) Pursuant to ORS 330.090 (1) and (2).
- (2) By a vote of the people pursuant to:
 - (a) ORS 330.505 to 330.780;
 - (b) ORS chapter 333; or
 - (c) The lengthening of the course of study under ORS chapter 335.
- (3) By the mutual consent of the district school boards of the two or more affected districts in the manner prescribed in ORS 330.080 to 330.107.

(4) On a request for change or merger proposal submitted to the district boundary board by electors of the affected districts in the manner prescribed in ORS 330.080 to 330.107. [1989 c.819 §1]

Note: 330.092 was enacted into law by the Legislative Assembly but was not added to or made a part of any series in ORS chapter 330 by legislative action. See Preface to Oregon Revised Statutes for further explanation.

Note: Section 12, chapter 819, Oregon Laws 1989, provides:

Sec. 12. Nothing in this Act affects any proceedings pending before any district boundary board, the State Board of Education or the courts under ORS 330.080 to 330.310 on the effective date of this Act [July 25, 1989]. [1989 c.819 §12]

330.095 Procedure; request or petition for change or merger; content. (1) The request or petition for proposed change or merger in school districts shall:

- (a) Be directed to the district boundary board of the county or counties having jurisdiction over the affected school districts;
- (b) Contain the names and numbers of districts affected by the change;
- (c) Contain a concise statement of the type of change requested and, if only a portion of the school district is involved, contain a legal description thereof; and
- (d) If a petition of electors from affected districts is involved, contain the signatures and resident addresses of the petitioners and the names of the school districts in which they reside.

(2) If a merger is requested or petitioned, the request or petition shall also contain proposals for:

- (a) Distribution of debt, if any; and
- (b) Retirement of unexpired serial levies, if any, or continuance of such levies against all of the taxable property in the enlarged district.

(3) When any proposed change or merger affects school districts under the jurisdiction of different district boundary boards, the proposed change or merger shall first be

acted upon by the district boundary board of the county in which lies the most populous district, and must be submitted to the district boundary board of the other affected county or counties. [1963 c.282 §13(2); 1965 c.100 §74, 1967 c.328 §1, 1989 c.819 §4]

330.100 [1963 c.282 §13 (3), (4), (5), (6), (10); repealed by 1965 c.100 §75 (330.101 enacted in lieu of 330.100)]

330.101 Notice; hearing, remonstrance; election. (1) Before the proposed change or merger is considered, the district boundary board shall give notice in the manner provided in ORS 330.635 of the proposed change or merger and the session of the board at which it will be considered. If no remonstrance on the change or merger is submitted requiring an election as provided in subsection (2) of this section, the board shall declare that the change or merger shall become effective as provided in ORS 330.103.

(2) If a remonstrance on a proposed change or merger signed by at least five percent or at least 500, whichever is less, of the electors of a school district affected by the proposed change or merger is filed with the district boundary board within 20 days after the date of the order to effect the proposed change or merger, and when all district boundary boards have acted on the change or merger as provided in ORS 330.095 (3), the board shall submit the question of the proposed change or merger to the electors of each affected school district from which a remonstrance was filed, with the district boundary board acting as the district election authority in the place of the local school districts. Separate elections shall be held in sequence, commencing with the least populous district and progressing in order of population to the most populous district. If the majority of votes in each election favor the change or merger, an election shall be held in the next most populous district. The cost of an election on a proposed boundary change or merger which affects school districts under the jurisdiction of different district boundary boards shall be prorated between the boundary boards involved according to the assessed value of the school districts affected by the proposed change or merger.

(3) If the majority of votes cast in any affected district oppose the change or merger, the change or merger shall be defeated, and the same or a substantially similar change or merger shall not be considered until 12 months have elapsed from the date of the election at which the change or merger was defeated, unless otherwise required by law. If the vote is favorable in all remonstrating districts, the district boundary board shall declare the change or merger effective as provided in ORS 330.103 without

further elections. [1965 c.100 §76 (330.101 enacted in lieu of 330.100); 1965 c.244 §1; 1965 c.621 §5; 1967 c.313 §1; 1967 s.s. c.8 §4, 1975 c.326 §3; 1979 c.772 §19, 1983 c.83 §48; 1983 c.284 §10, 1983 c.350 §140; 1985 c.364 §2, 1989 c.819 §5]

330.103 Effective date of change; administration and operation until end of fiscal year. (1) When a school district boundary change or merger becomes final according to ORS 308.225 (2)(a) and the change or merger:

(a) Occurs between July 1 and March 31, inclusive, the change or merger shall take effect May 31 following the declaration or election.

(b) Occurs between April 1 and June 30, inclusive, the change or merger shall take effect May 31 of the following year.

(2) Districts subject to the boundary changes or mergers under this section shall, for the purposes of administration and operation, continue to operate separately until the end of the fiscal year in which the boundary changes or mergers are effective. No additional audit shall be necessary. [1967 s.s. c.8 §2; 1973 c.501 §3; 1989 c.819 §8]

330.105 [1963 c.282 §13(7), (9), §15; repealed by 1965 c.100 §456]

330.106 Action by board pending effective date of change. During the period following the declaration or last election under ORS 330.101 and prior to the date when the boundary change or merger takes effect, the district school board of the most populous district, as defined in ORS 330.113, or the district school board of a district to which territory has been annexed may take such action as is essential in order that the district may carry out its required functions when the boundary change takes effect, including the preparation and adoption of a budget for the district and the reference of questions relating to the budget to the electors of the district. Expenditures of the board under this section shall be charged to each affected school district in the manner provided in ORS 330.123. [1967 s.s. c.8 §3]

330.107 Time for boundary board action; extension. The district boundary board shall complete all action on a request or petition for boundary change or a merger required under ORS 330.101 within 100 days of the date of receipt of the request or petition if the boundary change or merger requested or petitioned lies totally within the jurisdiction of that board. If the boundary change or merger requested or petitioned requires ratification of an adjacent boundary board as in ORS 330.095 (3), an additional 60 days may be utilized for action of the second boundary board. However, upon request of the district boundary board and a showing of special circumstances which require addi-

tional time, the State Board of Education may grant a reasonable extension of time for completion of the required action. [1965 c.621 §2; 1979 c.256 §2; 1983 c.83 §49; 1989 c.819 §9]

330.110 [Amended by 1957 c.310 §8; repealed by 1963 c.282 §16]

330.113 Effect of change. (1) When two or more school districts are merged as provided by law, the affected districts shall be considered merged into the most populous district and:

(a) Unless the district school boards or the petitioners requesting the merger request that the enlarged school district retain the same number which was previously assigned to the most populous district included in the merger, the district boundary board shall give the enlarged district a new name, and the county assessor shall assign a new number that has not previously been used. However, if the boundaries of the enlarged school district are the same as the boundaries of the county, the official name of the enlarged school district shall be _____ (name of county) County School District.

(b) The school districts included in the merger shall become identified with the newly named district or the most populous district.

(c) The employes of the component districts shall be considered to be employes of the enlarged district, which shall succeed the other districts in such merger as a party to their respective contracts of employment.

(2) The board of directors of the most populous district shall constitute the board of directors of the enlarged district and the terms of all other directors of component districts shall expire on the effective date of the merger.

(3) All real and personal property belonging to the districts within the enlarged district shall become the property of the enlarged district.

(4) When a petition or request for a merger of school districts contains proposals for distribution of debt or continuance of unexpired serial levies as provided in ORS 330.095 and the district boundary board in the manner provided in ORS 330.101 declares such merger effective, the district school board of the enlarged district is authorized to levy taxes in conformity with such proposals.

(5) A school district affected by a change made by the district boundary board does not thereby become an administrative school dis-

tract. When territory is withdrawn from an administrative school district, the part remaining shall continue to constitute an administrative school district. When territory is added to an administrative school district or an administrative or other school district is included in an administrative school district, the enlarged district shall continue to be an administrative school district. When an administrative school district is merged in a school district which is not an administrative school district the administrative school district shall cease to exist.

[Formerly 330.300, 1973 c.522 §1, 1989 c.819 §10]

330.115 [Formerly 329.740, repealed by 1965 c.100 §456]

330.120 [Repealed by 1963 c.282 §16]

330.123 Division of assets and liabilities upon changes in boundaries. (1) When changes in school district boundaries are made by the detachment of territory or annexation of less than an entire school district to another, the district school boards of the districts affected by each change shall immediately after the change make an equitable division of the then existing assets and liabilities between the districts affected by such change and provide the manner of consummating the division.

(2) In case of failure to agree within 20 days from the time of such change, the matter shall be decided by a board of arbitrators. The board of arbitrators shall consist of one member appointed by each of the boards of the school districts affected and an additional member appointed by the other appointees.

(3) In the event any such district school board fails to appoint an arbitrator within 30 days, the Superintendent of Public Instruction shall appoint such arbitrator. In the event the arbitrators selected fail to appoint the additional arbitrator within 30 days after the appointment of the arbitrator last appointed, the Superintendent of Public Instruction shall notify the judge of the circuit court senior in service of the county in which the administrative office of the most populous school district is located. Within 10 days after receiving such notice, the judge shall appoint the additional arbitrator.

(4) Each member of the board of arbitrators shall be entitled to the sum of \$20 per day for each day's service, and necessary traveling expenses, while sitting in the official capacity of the member. Expenses thus incurred shall be equally apportioned among the districts concerned.

(5) The decision of the arbitrators is final and may be reviewed in the manner provided in ORS 36.355 to 36.365.

(6) Assets include all school property and moneys belonging to the district at the time of the division. Liabilities include all debts for which the respective districts in their corporate capacities are liable at the time of division. In determining the assets, school property shall be estimated at its fair value. The assets and liabilities shall be divided between the districts in proportion to the last assessed value of the real and personal property. The district retaining the real property shall pay the other districts concerned such sums as are determined in accordance with the provisions of this section. All funds to be apportioned during the current school year, after such division, shall be made in proportion to the resident average daily membership of the districts divided, as shown by the report of such districts for the period ending the preceding June 30 as certified by the districts to the administrative office of the county. [Formerly 330.050; 1971 c.294 §7; 1979 c.772 §20]

330.125 [Formerly 329.750; repealed by 1965 c.100 §456]

330.130 [Repealed by 1963 c.282 §16]

330.135 [Formerly 329.755; amended by 1965 c.100 §79; repealed by 1989 c.819 §13]

330.140 [Repealed by 1963 c.282 §16]

330.145 [Formerly 329.760; repealed by 1965 c.100 §456]

330.150 [Repealed by 1963 c.282 §16]

330.155 [Repealed by 1965 c.100 §456]

330.170 [Repealed by 1965 c.100 §456]

330.190 [Amended by 1955 c.386 §2; repealed by 1963 c.282 §16]

330.200 [Repealed by 1955 c.386 §8]

330.210 [Repealed by 1965 c.100 §456]

330.220 [Repealed by 1965 c.100 §456]

330.230 [Amended by 1957 c.626 §6; 1961 c.148 §1; subsection (2) of 1963 Replacement Part enacted as 1961 c.148 §3; subsection (3) of 1963 Replacement Part enacted as 1961 c.148 §4, 1963 c.544 §25; repealed by 1965 c.100 §456]

330.240 [Amended by 1957 s.s. c.12 §1; repealed by 1965 c.100 §456]

330.250 [Repealed by 1965 c.100 §456]

330.260 [Repealed by 1965 c.100 §456]

330.270 [Repealed by 1965 c.100 §456]

330.280 [Repealed by 1965 c.100 §456]

330.290 [Repealed by 1965 c.100 §456]

330.300 [1957 c.89 §1; amended by 1965 c.100 §77; 1965 c.275 §3; renumbered 330.113]

330.310 Change in boundaries of county school district. (1) Subject to ORS 333.050, the boundaries of a county school district organized under ORS chapter 333 may be changed to include all or part of a school district in another county by action of the district boundary board or in the manner provided in ORS 330.505 to 330.780.

(2) Subject to ORS 333.050, the boundaries of a county school district organized un-

der ORS chapter 333 may be changed to withdraw part of the county school district from the county school district and to add such part to a school district or districts in the same or another county by action of the district boundary board or in the manner provided in ORS 330.505 to 330.780.

(3) A school district affected by a change in boundaries made under this section does not thereby become an administrative school district.

(4) Before any territory is removed from a county school district under subsection (2) of this section, the district boundary board shall submit the question to the electors of the districts involved and to the electors of the area to be changed. If a majority of the votes cast in each of the districts involved and in the area to be changed are in favor of the change, the change shall become effective. [Formerly 333.124]

ADMINISTRATIVE SCHOOL DISTRICTS

330.505 Definitions for ORS 330.505 to 330.780. As used in ORS 330.505 to 330.780, unless the context requires otherwise:

(1) "Committee" means the education service district board. In any county where there is no education service district, "committee" means the governing body of the county.

(2) "County superintendent" means county district superintendent of schools or superintendent appointed by the education service district board.

(3) "Reorganization of school districts" means the formation of administrative school districts in the manner provided under ORS 330.505 to 330.780. [1957 c.619 §1; 1963 c.282 §3; 1963 c.544 §26; 1965 c.100 §80]

330.510 [1957 c.619 §2; 1961 c.625 §4; repealed by 1963 c.282 §16]

330.515 [1957 c.619 §4, repealed by 1963 c.282 §16]

330.520 [1957 c.619 §5; repealed by 1963 c.282 §16 and 1963 c.544 §52]

330.523 [1957 c.619 §8; repealed by 1965 c.100 §456]

330.526 [1957 c.619 §27; repealed by 1965 c.100 §456]

330.528 [1957 c.619 §26; repealed by 1965 c.100 §456]

330.530 Plan to reorganize districts into administrative districts. (1) In accordance with ORS 330.530 to 330.540 and 330.547 to 330.570, the committee may prepare reorganization plans for the formation of administrative school districts. A plan involving territory lying in the areas of jurisdiction of two or more committees shall be concurred in by all committees.

(2) A reorganization plan shall provide for the incorporation of territory of the area of jurisdiction of the committee into one or more administrative school districts. A plan

which provides for the formation of more than one administrative school district may be submitted to the electors registered in the proposed districts as a single plan. The reorganization plan shall set out:

(a) The boundaries of existing school districts and the boundaries of the district or districts proposed under the plan.

(b) Where necessary, recommendations respecting the location of schools, utilization of existing buildings and the construction of new buildings.

(c) For any proposed administrative school district that will have a population of less than 100,000, according to the latest federal census, a provision for local school committees representing attendance areas that are determined by the governing board. The attendance areas that are determined by the board must collectively include the total attendance area of the district.

(d) The transportation requirements under the plan.

(e) An equitable adjustment of all the property, assets, debts and liabilities of each existing school district which is affected by the plan, determined under ORS 330.540 and the manner of consummating such adjustment.

(f) The following matters, if the proposed administrative school district will have a population of not more than 40,000 when the district comes into existence:

(A) Provisions for division of the district into zones for the purpose of nominating directors if the committee determines that zones are desirable. If the committee establishes zones, the committee shall establish not more than nine zones and not fewer than five zones. One or more of the zones may include the entire administrative school district.

(B) The length of the terms of the first members of the board of the proposed district. The terms shall be so established that the term of at least one member expires each year and the terms of not more than two members expire in any one year.

(g) A summary of the reasons for each proposed reorganization of school districts.

(h) Such other reports, records and materials as the State Board of Education by rule may require.

(i) Notwithstanding ORS 334.020, a designation of the education service district in which the proposed administrative school district or districts are to be included if the proposed administrative school district or districts are joint districts. [1957 c.619 §7; 1959 c.423 §1; 1961 c.317 §1; 1963 c.282 §4; 1965 c.100 §81; 1965

c.261 §1; 1973 c.448 §1; 1983 c.83 §50; 1983 c.284 §4; 1983 c.350 §140a; 1985 c.201 §1; 1989 c.491 §15]

330.533 [1959 c.423 §3; 1961 c.285 §1; 1965 c.100 §96; renumbered 330.665]

330.535 Plan to be supported by studies and surveys. The reorganization plan shall be supported by studies and surveys conducted by the committee, with technical assistance available from the Department of Education. The reports of the results of these studies and surveys shall include the following matters:

(1) The adequacy of the educational program in the various districts in the county.

(2) The number of pupils attending school in the various districts in the county and the population of each district, existing and proposed.

(3) The assessed taxable valuation of existing districts per district and per pupil and the differences in such valuations under possible reorganization plans.

(4) The location, condition and future use of existing buildings and equipment.

(5) Natural community areas.

(6) Location and condition of roads, highways and natural barriers within districts.

(7) Transportation of pupils.

(8) Geographic and economic conditions within the county.

(9) Such other matters as afford greater equalization of educational opportunities for the inhabitants of the county, more efficient and economical administration of public schools and a more equitable distribution of public school revenues. [1957 c.619 §9; 1965 c.100 §82]

330.540 Equitable adjustment of property, assets, debts and liabilities of affected districts; arbitration. (1) Subject to the provisions of ORS 328.555, the committee shall determine the value and amount of all school property and all bonded and other indebtedness of all school districts affected by the reorganization plan and shall determine an equitable adjustment of all property, assets, debts and liabilities of each such school district.

(2) When the plan involves detachment of territory from an existing school district, the committee shall endeavor to agree upon such equitable adjustment and the manner of consummating it. Written objections to the proposed adjustment may be filed by an affected district at or prior to the hearings provided for in ORS 330.550 or 330.555. The matter shall be decided by a board of arbitrators with the same effect as provided in ORS 330.123 (5). The board of arbitrators shall consist of one member appointed by

each of the boards of the affected districts, one member appointed by the committee and an additional member appointed by the other appointees. The arbitrator appointed by the education service district board shall be appointed to reflect the vote of the board to authorize a plan. In the event of failure to appoint an arbitrator within 30 days from the date of a written request of the committee to do so, or in the event of failure of the arbitrators selected to appoint the additional arbitrator within 30 days after the appointment of the arbitrator last appointed, the appointment shall be made in the same manner as provided in ORS 330.123 (3). The members of the board of arbitrators shall be entitled to reasonable compensation as determined by the Superintendent of Public Instruction. The additional arbitrator shall have had experience in valuation and financial matters as specified by the Superintendent of Public Instruction. The decision of the board of arbitrators shall be included in the reorganization plan prior to final approval thereof by the committee. [1957 c.619 §10; 1983 c.812 §3]

330.543 Committee findings; hearings; duty of state board. (1) A reorganization plan shall be approved only if the committee makes each of the findings described in ORS 330.090 (4) (1987 Replacement Part) and in addition finds that the following objectives of reorganization will likely be achieved:

(a) A more effectively coordinated program for the students and communities affected by the plan;

(b) A more efficient and economical administration of the public school systems affected by the plan;

(c) Substantially equal educational opportunities for the students affected by the plan;

(d) Substantially equal availability of financial resources at the local level for all students affected by the plan; and

(e) Provision for the protection of tenure, salary placement and pension rights of employees affected by the reorganization.

(2) For purposes of this section, a plan of reorganization is deemed to affect students, residents and districts of the preexisting districts whenever the formation of a new administrative school district will likely have a significant impact, directly or indirectly, on the utilization of their facilities or on their programs, costs, revenues, assessed valuation per student, levying authority or tax rates.

(3) The committee's findings shall be based on the studies and surveys described in ORS 330.535 and the record of its hearings and shall concern only those objective fac-

tors as are inherent in the formation of the new administrative school district or districts under the proposed reorganization.

(4) The hearings provided for in ORS 330.550 and 330.555 shall be presided over by a hearings officer appointed by the committee. The hearings officer shall prepare proposed findings including the information described in ORS 330.550 (2), and furnish them to the committee and all interested persons or districts requesting them at least 10 days prior to the first meeting of the committee where they will be considered. The members of the committee need not attend such hearings. The record made before the hearings officer shall be reviewed by the committee which may adopt, modify, alter or reject all or any of the proposed findings.

(5) The State Board of Education by rule shall adopt minimum standards and definitions pertaining to the objectives of reorganization, taking into account the effect reorganization may have on achieving the goals of modern education and the other factors described in ORS 326.051 (1). [1983 c.812 §2; 1985 c.364 §4; 1989 c.491 §16; 1989 c.819 §11]

330.545 [1957 c.619 §11; repealed by 1965 c.100 §456]

330.547 Time for committee action; procedure if committee fails to act. (1) A committee shall complete all action on a plan involving a joint school district required under ORS 330.530 within 30 days after the plan was submitted to it.

(2) If the committee refuses to concur in the plan, it shall appoint a disinterested person to represent it on the arbitration board required under ORS 330.552. Within 10 days' notice of the other committee's refusal to concur, the committee that originated the plan shall also appoint a disinterested person to represent it. Within 30 days after appointment the two representatives so appointed shall meet and appoint a third person. If any appointment required by this subsection is not made within the time specified, the Superintendent of Public Instruction upon notification shall make the appointment. [1965 c.621 §4; 1989 c.491 §17]

330.550 Hearings on reorganization plan. (1) When the committee has prepared a reorganization plan, including maps and charts, the committee shall fix the dates and places for hearings on the reorganization plan. The county superintendent shall give notice of the hearings by publication as provided in ORS 330.635.

(2) At the hearing the committee shall explain the reorganization plan, with the advantages and any disadvantages resulting therefrom. The committee shall show the cost of the current and the proposed programs of education as nearly as may be esti-

mated. A statement of the adjustment proposed in the reorganization plan for property, assets, debts and other liabilities shall be made at the hearing. At the hearing, any resident of the county or any affected district in an adjacent county may be heard with reference to the changes proposed by the reorganization plan. [1957 c.619 §12; 1963 c.282 §5]

330.552 Arbitration board in case of disagreement over disposition of territory in joint district. If the county committees of two counties cannot agree over the disposition of the territory of a joint district in preparing their reorganization plans, an arbitration board shall be established. The arbitration board shall consist of one member appointed by each committee and a third member appointed by the two other appointees. If the two appointees do not appoint a third member within 30 days after their appointment, the Superintendent of Public Instruction shall appoint the third member of the arbitration board. The decision of the arbitration board is final and shall be incorporated into the reorganization plans of the counties involved. [1959 c.423 §4; 1965 c.100 §83]

330.555 Revision of reorganization plan; hearing; adoption of final plan; submission to State Board of Education. After the public hearing held as required by ORS 330.550, the committee shall consider any suggestions made at the hearing and shall make such revisions or modifications in the reorganization plan as it considers necessary and shall fix the dates and places for hearings on the revised or modified plan, give notice of the hearings by publication as provided in ORS 330.635 and hold such hearings and thereafter shall adopt its final reorganization plan. Within 10 days after adoption of the final plan, the committee shall submit at least two copies of its final reorganization plan to the State Board of Education. The committee shall cause notice of its action adopting a final plan of reorganization to be published in at least two issues of a newspaper designated by it and having circulation in the school districts or areas affected by the proposed change. The first publication shall be not more than eight days after the date of the committee's action, and the last publication shall be not less than nine days nor more than 15 days after the date of its action. [1957 c.619 §13; 1963 c.282 §6]

330.557 Petition to revise or modify plan; hearing; review of denial of petition. (1) Any person residing or owning or occupying real property within the area affected by any final plan of reorganization adopted by the committee for the organization of an administrative school district may petition the State Board of Education to have the

plan revised or modified in particulars set forth in such petition. Such petition shall be filed with the Department of Education and a copy thereof shall be delivered to the secretary of the committee in person or by certified mail within 30 days after adoption of such plan by the committee. The petitioner shall have the right to be heard at the hearing provided by ORS 330.560 and to be represented by counsel and to offer evidence and argument in support of such petition. The committee likewise shall be entitled to be heard at such hearing and to be represented by counsel and to offer evidence and argument in opposition to such petition.

(2) Any petitioner may petition the Court of Appeals in the manner provided by ORS 183.482 for judicial review of the decision or determination of the State Board of Education denying or overruling the petition of such petitioner to revise or modify the final plan of reorganization in the particulars set forth in the petition, provided that such petition for review shall be filed with the Court of Appeals within 60 days after the State Board of Education approves the final plan of reorganization. [1963 c.282 §12; 1979 c.772 §21, 1989 c.491 §18]

330.560 Hearing on plan by State Board of Education or its representative. The State Board of Education shall receive and examine the plans for the reorganization of school districts submitted to it by the committees. If, within 30 days after adoption of a final reorganization plan by the committee, the State Board of Education receives from the Department of Education any petition or petitions for revisions or modifications of such plan, it shall set such petition or petitions for hearing before the State Board of Education or an authorized representative of the board. The State Board of Education shall give notice of the hearing by publication as provided in ORS 330.635. [1957 c.619 §14; 1963 c.282 §7; 1989 c.491 §19]

330.565 Approval of plan by State Board of Education. Within 60 days after the hearing held as required by ORS 330.560 or, if no hearing is required, within 60 days after adoption of the final reorganization plan by the committee, the State Board of Education shall approve the plan if the board finds that the plan provides for a satisfactory school districting system. Such finding that the plan is satisfactory shall be made on the basis of the record before the committee, as well as its own hearings, and shall be based on findings described in ORS 330.543. If the plan is approved the State Board of Education shall notify the committee or committees concerned and each petitioner referred to in ORS 330.560 within 10 days of such approval. One copy of the final reorganization

plan, marked "Approved by State Board of Education," shall be returned to the committee, together with maps, reports, records and all other pertinent material submitted to the State Board of Education by the committee. The second copy of the final reorganization plan shall be filed in the files of the State Board of Education as a permanent record. [1957 c.619 §15; 1963 c.282 §8; 1983 c.812 §4]

330.570 Revision by committee of plan found unsatisfactory or inequitable by board; termination of proceedings. (1) If the State Board of Education finds that a final reorganization plan submitted by a committee is unsatisfactory, or that the adjustment of property, assets, debts and liabilities is inequitable, the State Board of Education shall so notify the committee within 60 days after the hearing held as required by ORS 330.560 or, if no hearing is required, within 60 days after adoption of the final reorganization plan by the committee, stating the reasons for nonapproval. A revised plan shall be prepared by the committee within 90 days from the date of notification of nonapproval. Upon request of the committee, the State Board of Education shall assist the committee in revising the plan so as to make it satisfactory. The revised plan shall be subject to the same procedures as are provided by ORS 330.543, 330.550, 330.555 and 330.560 with respect to the original plan.

(2) If it appears to the State Board of Education that the plan cannot be made satisfactory by revisions, it may terminate all proceedings for formation of the proposed new administrative school district. [1957 c.619 §16; 1963 c.282 §9; 1983 c.812 §5]

330.575 [1957 c.619 §17; 1965 c.100 §84; repealed by 1983 c.812 §6]

330.580 [1957 c.619 §18; 1961 c.414 §7; repealed by 1963 c.282 §16]

330.585 Special election in proposed districts; remonstrance. (1) Within 70 days after the date the committee receives an approved plan from the State Board of Education, the county superintendent shall call a special election of the electors registered within the territory of each administrative school district proposed to be formed under the approved plan. In an approved district where no change in boundary is involved no election is required. If the approved plan proposes the formation of more than one administrative school district, the election in each district affected by the plan shall be held on the same day. The election shall be held as soon as practicable after the date the committee receives the approved plan.

(2) The cost of conducting the election shall be charged to each common school district embraced in a proposed administrative

school district or districts, if the plan provides for more than one administrative district, in the same proportion as its assessed valuation is to the total assessed valuation of the proposed administrative school district, and shall be paid from any current operating funds belonging to the respective districts. When a common school district is to be divided and its territory assigned to two or more administrative school districts, the cost to the common school district of the election shall be in proportion to its assessed valuation included in the proposed administrative school district.

(3) When the plan involves detachment of territory from an existing unified common school district providing the education required by law for resident students for grades 1 through 12, the remonstrance procedure described in ORS 330.101 (2) and (3) shall apply to the electors registered in the territory of such existing school district, but not within the territory of the proposed new administrative school district. The remonstrance shall be filed within 20 days after the final reorganization plan is approved by the State Board of Education. The functions of the district boundary board under ORS 330.101 (2) shall be performed by the county superintendent.

(4) Not later than 60 days before an election called as a result of a remonstrance filed under subsection (3) of this section, the county superintendent shall provide the county clerk with a copy of the ballot title, a metes and bounds description of the boundary of the proposed new administrative school district and a map of the boundaries of the proposed district. The votes on the question of approving or disapproving the formation of the proposed administrative school district shall be counted separately for the area within the proposed district and for the rest of the district. Both areas shall vote on the question at the same election and both areas must approve the proposal at the same election for the plan to be approved. All the votes cast in both areas on any ballot question other than that for the approval of the proposed district shall be recorded as a single total for the district.

(5) If a petition for judicial review is filed pursuant to ORS 330.557 (2), the election may be stayed pursuant to ORS 183.482 (3). The election may also be stayed by the circuit court or appellate court pending review of the decision of the board of arbitrators regarding the adjustment of assets, debts and liabilities pursuant to ORS 36.355 to 36.365. [1957 c.619 §19; 1965 c.100 §85; 1965 c.261 §2; 1973 c.796 §27; 1983 c.83 §52; 1983 c.350 §141; 1983 c.812 §7a; 1985 c.364 §3].

330.587 [1961 c.435 §2; repealed by 1983 c.350 §331a]

330.590 Notice of election. In addition to the requirements of ORS 255.085 the notice of the special election shall:

(1) Contain a description of the boundaries of the proposed administrative school district or districts, if the plan provides for more than one administrative school district.

(2) Contain a statement of the terms of adjustment of property, assets, debts and liabilities applicable to the proposed administrative school district or districts and existing school districts which contain territory to be included within the proposed administrative school district or districts.

(3) Contain a statement of the place where a summary of the studies and surveys upon which the reorganization plan is based is on file and may be examined. [1957 c.619 §20; 1965 c.100 §86; 1965 c.261 §3; 1973 c.796 §28]

330.595 [1957 c.619 §21; 1965 c.100 §87; 1965 c.261 §4; repealed by 1973 c.796 §79]

330.598 Definitions for ORS 330.598 to 330.609. As used in ORS 330.598 to 330.609:

(1) "Common school district" includes any part of a common school district lying within the boundaries of a proposed administrative school district.

(2) "Rejecting school district" means a common school district within which a majority of the votes cast were against the formation of an administrative school district or against a plan providing for the formation of more than one administrative school district. [1961 c.414 §1; 1965 c.100 §88; 1965 c.261 §5]

330.600 [1957 c.619 §22; 1959 c.423 §5; repealed by 1961 c.414 §9]

330.601 Procedure when majority in each district favors formation; effect of defeat. (1) The votes cast in each common school district shall be counted separately. If a majority of the votes cast by the electors of each common school district within the boundaries of a proposed administrative school district is in favor of the formation of the district, the new administrative school district shall be organized in the manner provided in ORS 330.660 to 330.780.

(2) If the plan provided for the formation of more than one administrative school district and if a majority of the votes cast by the electors of each common school district within the boundaries of the proposed districts is in favor of the formation of the new districts, the new administrative school districts shall be organized in the manner provided in ORS 330.660 to 330.780.

(3) Notwithstanding subsections (1) and (2) of this section, the defeat of the plan at an election held as a result of a remonstrance filed pursuant to ORS 330.585 (3) shall preclude formation of the new ad-

ministrative school district or districts unless they are thereafter formed under the procedures of ORS 330.603 to 330.610. [1961 c.414 §2; 1965 c.100 §89; 1965 c.261 §6; 1983 c.83 §53; 1983 c.812 §8]

330.603 Procedure when majority in any district opposes formation. (1) If a majority of the votes cast within any one or more of the common school districts participating in the election under ORS 330.585 is against the formation of the administrative school district, or against the plan providing for the formation of more than one administrative school district, the organization of the new administrative school district or districts shall be delayed for a period of 30 days.

(2) During the 30-day period a petition for inclusion in the new administrative school district or districts may be filed by the electors of any rejecting school district with the county superintendent. If such a petition is filed with the county superintendent within the 30-day period and is signed by a number of electors of a rejecting school district equal to 50 percent or more of the electors who voted in the rejecting school district in the election on the formation of the administrative school district or districts, another election shall be held in the rejecting school district on the next practicable date specified in ORS 255.345 after the date of the election on the formation of the administrative school district or districts.

(3) If no such petition is filed within the 30-day period, the rejecting district shall be omitted from further consideration in the formation of an administrative school district or districts and the committee shall proceed as provided in ORS 330.605. A rejecting district which does not file a petition shall not be required to vote again on the question of its inclusion in the same administrative school district within a period of one year from the date of the election at which the rejecting district voted against such inclusion.

(4) If such petitions are filed by the electors of more than one rejecting school district, a separate election shall be held within each such rejecting school district. If a majority of the votes cast at the election provided for in this subsection by the electors of each of the rejecting school districts approves inclusion in the administrative school district, the organization of the administrative school district shall proceed in the manner provided in ORS 330.660 to 330.780. If a majority of the votes cast at the election provided for in this subsection by the electors of any of the rejecting school districts again rejects inclusion in the administrative school district, the rejecting district shall be

omitted from further consideration in the formation of an administrative school district and the committee shall proceed as provided in ORS 330.605. [1961 c.414 §3; 1965 c.100 §90; 1965 c.261 §7; 1983 c.83 §54; 1983 c.350 §144]

330.605 Proposal for new district excluding rejecting district. (1) If the committee believes that the proposal for the formation of a new administrative school district or districts is still feasible without the inclusion of the rejecting districts, the committee shall review the plan for the adjustment of assets and liabilities, deleting the rejecting districts, and shall submit the revised plan to the State Board of Education for approval as provided in ORS 330.607. If the plan is approved by the board, the committee shall hold a hearing on the revised plan after giving notice as provided in ORS 330.635.

(2) If a remonstrance, signed by at least 50 electors or a number of electors of the accepting districts equal to 10 percent of the electors who voted in the election on the proposed administrative school district in the accepting district, whichever is the lesser, is filed with the committee within 10 days following the hearing, a special election shall be held on the next practicable date specified in ORS 255.345.

(3) If no remonstrance is filed or if a remonstrance is filed but the result of the election is approval of the revised plan as provided in ORS 330.601, the new administrative district or districts shall be formed effective as provided in ORS 330.609. [1961 c.414 §4; 1965 c.100 §91; 1965 c.261 §8; 1983 c.83 §55; 1983 c.350 §145]

330.607 Approval of revised plan by state board. (1) Within 30 days after the revised plan is received by it, the State Board of Education shall approve the plan if it finds that the plan:

(a) Provides for a satisfactory school districting system.

(b) Adjusts property, assets, debts and liabilities in an equitable manner.

(2) If the revised plan is not submitted to the board or if the board does not approve the revised plan, the committee shall proceed with the preparation of a new comprehensive reorganization plan in the manner provided in ORS 330.610. [1961 c.414 §5]

330.609 When new district comes into existence. Except as provided in ORS 330.720, when a district is organized in the manner provided in ORS 330.660 to 330.780:

(1) If the last election on the formation of the district is held between July 1 and March 31, inclusive, the new administrative school district shall come into existence effective May 31 following the election.

(2) If the last election on the formation of the district is held between April 1 and June 30, inclusive, the new administrative school district shall come into existence effective May 31 of the following year.

(3) Notwithstanding subsections (1) and (2) of this section, when the new administrative school district does not include the most populous district as defined in ORS 330.660 (1) and, therefore, there is no annexation or preexisting budget or levying authority or automatic transfer of teaching staff pursuant to ORS 330.660 (2), the new administrative school district shall not come into existence until May 31, which is more than 90 days after the first election of board members of the new district. [1961 c.414 §6; 1965 c.100 §91a; 1967 s.s. c.8 §5; 1983 c.812 §9]

330.610 Procedure when majority in proposed district opposes formation. If a proposal for the formation of a new administrative school district is rejected by the electors as provided for in ORS 330.585:

(1) The committee may direct the county superintendent to resubmit the same plan at a special election on a date that is not earlier than one year from the date of the election at which the plan was rejected, except that there shall be no more than two special elections held on the same plan of reorganization without the approval of the State Board of Education; or

(2) The committee may devise a new plan of reorganization which the committee believes will be more acceptable to the electors of the territory affected and submit the new plan to the State Board of Education for approval in the same manner as the original plan was submitted. If the new reorganization plan is approved by the State Board of Education, a special election shall be held on the next practicable date specified in ORS 255.345, subject to ORS 330.598 to 330.609. If the new plan is approved by the electors at the election, the new administrative school district shall be organized in the manner provided in ORS 330.660 to 330.780. Except as provided in ORS 330.720, the new administrative school district or districts shall come into existence as provided in ORS 330.609. [1957 c.619 §23, 1961 c.414 §8; 1965 c.100 §92; 1965 c.261 §9; 1983 c.350 §146; 1985 c.565 §58]

330.620 [1957 c.619 §24; repealed by 1963 c.282 §16]

330.625 [1957 c.619 §25; repealed by 1965 c.100 §456]

330.630 [1957 c.619 §2; 1961 c.625 §2; subsections (4) and (5) of 1961 Replacement Part enacted as 1961 c.625 §3; subsections (6) and (7) of 1961 Replacement Part formerly part of 327.069; repealed by 1963 c.282 §16]

330.632 [1959 c.423 §15; repealed by 1963 c.282 §16]

330.635 Notices. Whenever notice by publication of any hearing is expressly required by the provisions of ORS 330.505 to 330.780, it shall be given in a newspaper

published in the county and of general circulation in the county or district in which the hearing is to be held. The notice shall be published in at least two issues of the newspaper. The first publication shall be not sooner than the 25th day or later than the 15th day preceding the hearing and the last publication shall be not sooner than the 14th day or later than the eighth day preceding the hearing. [1957 c.619 §41; 1965 c.100 §93, 1983 c.284 §9; 1983 c.350 §147]

330.640 [1957 c.619 §41a; 1965 c.100 §94, repealed by 1983 c.350 §331a]

330.645 [1957 c.619 §42; repealed by 1963 c.282 §16]

330.650 [1957 c.619 §29, repealed by 1965 c.100 §456]

330.660 Identification of administrative school district; function of school board for split district; liability of annexed district. (1) As used in this section, "most populous district" means the school district:

(a) Which maintained an elementary school;

(b) More than one-half of which is included in the administrative school district; and

(c) Which had a larger number of children of school age at the school census next preceding the inclusion of such district in the administrative school district than any other school district of the type described in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this subsection which is included in the administrative school district.

(2) When an administrative school district is formed:

(a) The administrative school district shall retain the same number which was previously assigned to the most populous district. However, if the boundaries of the enlarged school district are the same as the boundaries of the county, the official name of the enlarged school district shall be _____ (name of county) County School District.

(b) Subject to the provisions of ORS 328.555, the school districts, or parts thereof, included in the administrative school district shall be deemed to be annexed to the most populous district (or the part of the most populous district included in the administrative school district) and to become identified with it; and the employees of the school districts included in the administrative school district (or if only part of a district is included in the administrative school district, the employees who were employed in schools included within the administrative school district) shall be deemed to be employees of the most populous district, which shall succeed the other districts in such administra-

tive school district as a party to their respective contracts of employment.

(3) Notwithstanding any other law, when an administrative school district comes into existence all territory included in the administrative school district is withdrawn from any other type of school district, except the education service district or the community college district, of which it may have been a part and becomes a part of the administrative school district. If part only of an existing school district is included in an administrative school district and the other part of such existing school district is not included in some other administrative school district, the school board of such existing school district shall continue to serve as the school board for the part of such existing school district that is not included in an administrative school district until the expiration of the terms of such school board members and any vacancies on such school board shall be filled in the manner provided by law for such school district.

(4) This section does not alter the effect of any law relating to the liability of an administrative school district or of any school district or part thereof included in an administrative school district. [1957 c.619 §30, 1959 c.423 §6; 1961 c.602 §17, 1965 c.100 §95; 1973 c.522 §2]

330.665 Local school committees. (1) Each local school committee provided for in the reorganization plan under ORS 330.530 shall consist of three members elected by the electors of the administrative school district. At the first regular district election following the formation of the administrative school district, there shall be elected three members of each local school committee. The person elected to each committee who receives the highest number of votes shall serve for a term of three years, the person who receives the next highest number of votes shall serve for a term of two years and the remaining person elected to the local school committee shall serve for a term of one year. Upon the expiration of the term of a member, a successor shall be elected to serve for a term of three years. Members of the local school committee may be nominated and elected from the attendance area determined by the district school board or may be nominated from such areas but elected from the district or may be nominated and elected from the district, the manner to be determined by the district school board.

(2) A person shall be nominated as a candidate for member of a local school committee by filing a petition for nomination or a declaration of candidacy under ORS 255.235. If a candidate is nominated by petition and members are nominated from attendance areas, the petition must be signed

by at least 10 electors residing in the attendance area from which the candidate seeks nomination. [Formerly 330.533; 1967 c.315 §1; 1973 c.448 §2; 1977 c.57 §1; 1983 c.350 §148; 1987 c.7 §1]

330.667 Duties of local school committee. (1) Notwithstanding ORS 332.172, under rules of the administrative school district board, the local school committee shall determine the use of the school property for civic purposes not inconsistent with its primary use. The local school committee also shall visit the school at frequent intervals, report to and advise the administrative school district board concerning the progress and needs of the school and the wishes of the people concerning the school and recommend improvements in the school property.

(2) By unanimous vote and not later than March 1 of each year, the local school committee may recommend rejection for the ensuing year of any teacher assigned to the school by the administrative school district board. The recommendation shall be delivered to the clerk of the district in writing and shall specify the reason for the recommendation. The board shall review the recommendation submitted by the local school committee and make final determination.

(3) The district school board of an administrative school district may submit the question of establishing additional local school committees or abolishing existing local school committees to the electors at any regular district election. The district school board shall submit either question at an election when a petition filed as provided in this subsection requests an election. The requirements for preparing, circulating and filing a petition shall be as provided for an initiative petition in ORS 255.135 to 255.205. The election when a petition is filed must not be later than the next regular district election. [1983 c.350 §150]

330.670 Application of ORS 330.680 to 330.720. ORS 330.680 to 330.720 do not apply to an administrative school district having a population of over 40,000 on the date the administrative school district comes into existence. [1957 c.619 §36, 1959 c.423 §7]

330.680 Zones in district with not over 40,000 population. Immediately after the formation of an administrative school district, if the reorganization plan provided for the division of the district into zones, the committee shall divide the district into from five to nine zones, one zone for each member of the board as provided in the reorganization plan for the administrative school district. The zones shall be as nearly equal in school census population as is feasible, except that in urban areas two or more zones may have a common boundary. Thereafter,

the district school board may adjust the boundaries of the zones not more often than once each year. [1957 c.619 §31; 1959 c.423 §8; 1965 c.100 §97]

330.690 School board in district with not over 40,000 population. (1) The district school board of an administrative school district shall consist of a number of directors equal to the number of zones in the administrative school district. If the district is not zoned, the board shall consist of seven directors. The term of director is four years.

(2) If the district is divided into zones:

(a) At the regular district election in the year in which each director's term of office expires a successor shall be elected to represent the same zone.

(b) Only one director shall be elected to represent any one of the zones.

(c) Each director shall be a resident of the zone that the director represents.

(3) The district school board of an administrative school district shall adjust the boundaries of the zones, if any, as necessary to apportion population so that the zones are as nearly equal in population as is feasible according to the latest federal census data. [1957 c.619 §32; 1959 c.423 §9; 1965 c.100 §98; 1971 c.47 §6; 1983 c.284 §5; 1983 c.350 §153a]

330.700 Election of first board in district with not over 40,000 population. (1) Immediately following the first division of the district into zones under ORS 330.680 or, if the district is not to be zoned, immediately following the formation of the administrative school district, the education service district board shall call a special election in the district at which time there shall be elected the directors on the first administrative school board.

(2) Notwithstanding ORS 330.690, the directors on the board first elected shall serve for terms determined as provided in the reorganization plan for the administrative school district. [1957 c.619 §33; 1959 c.423 §10; 1965 c.100 §99; 1973 c.796 §29; 1974 s.s. c.45 §4; 1975 c.770 §10; 1983 c.350 §154]

330.710 When first board assumes powers and duties. Except as provided in ORS 330.720, the school board elected pursuant to ORS 330.700 shall not assume its powers and duties until the date when the administrative school district comes into existence. [1957 c.619 §34]

330.720 Powers of first board before district comes into existence. During the period following their election and prior to the date the administrative school district comes into existence, the district school board for the administrative school district may take such action as is essential in order that the administrative school district may

carry out its required functions when it comes into existence, including the preparation and adoption of a budget for the administrative school district and the reference of questions relating to the budget to the electors of the district. Expenditures of the board under this section shall be charged to each common school district in the manner provided in ORS 330.585 (2). [1957 c.619 §35; 1965 c.100 §100]

330.730 School board of district having more than 40,000 population. (1) The school board of an administrative school district having a population of more than 40,000 according to the latest federal census, shall consist of seven members. No person is eligible for election as a member of such school district who at the time of election is not an elector and a resident within such district for one year immediately preceding election.

(2) In administrative school districts having a population of more than 40,000 and less than 300,000, according to the latest federal census, the two additional members of the board required by subsection (1) of this section shall be elected from the district at large at the first regular school election following the formation of the administrative school district. Of the members elected pursuant to this subsection, the person receiving the highest vote shall serve for a term of three years and the other person elected shall serve for a term of one year. [1957 c.619 §37(1), (3); 1965 c.100 §101; 1967 c.605 §2]

330.740 Election and terms of school directors. In an administrative school district having a population of more than 40,000 and less than 300,000, according to the latest federal census, school directors shall be elected at large from the district for a term of four years. [1957 c.619 §37a; 1965 c.100 §102; 1967 c.605 §3; 1971 c.47 §7; 1983 c.350 §155]

330.750 Elections in district with 300,000 population. ORS 332.138 applies to administrative school districts having a population of 300,000 or more. [1957 c.619 §37(2); 1967 c.605 §4; 1983 c.350 §156]

330.760 Termination of term of directors of preexisting district; initial board of administrative school district with population exceeding 40,000; election on question of increasing number of directors. (1) Subject to subsections (2) and (3) of this section, notwithstanding any other provisions of law, the term of office of existing school directors of a preexisting school district shall terminate on the date when all the territory in the preexisting district is included in one or more administrative school districts which come into existence.

(2) In an administrative school district having a population of more than 40,000 when the district comes into existence, the

board of the most populous district, as defined in ORS 330.660, shall continue in office until the expiration of the term for which the directors were elected and with the two directors, if any, elected under ORS 330.730 (2), shall be the board of the administrative school district.

(3)(a) Notwithstanding ORS 330.690, in an administrative school district formed without an election entirely from a school district which maintains, over its entire area, both elementary and secondary education in grades 1 through 12 under the administration of a single school board, the directors on the board of such district may be directors on the board of the administrative school district until the expiration of their respective terms of office if the reorganization plan so provides.

(b) The district school board of the administrative school district may submit the question of increasing the number of school directors to seven or nine to the electors of the district at any regular district election and must submit such question upon petition of at least 50 electors of the district or a number of electors of the district equal to at least 10 percent of the votes cast at the last regular district election in the district, whichever is the lesser.

(c) If the question of the increase in the size of the board is approved, at the next regular district election the additional school directors shall be elected for staggered terms established by the district school board of the administrative school district so that no more than three directors' terms shall expire in any one year. [1957 c.619 §38; 1959 c.423 §11; 1961 c.229 §1; 1965 c.100 §103, 1971 c.47 §8, 1983 c.83 §58; 1983 c.350 §157]

330.765 Filling vacancies on boards or committees. (1) A vacancy on a district school board or a local school committee shall be filled as provided in this section if ORS 330.505 to 330.780 applies to the board or committee. A vacancy in an elected office in the membership of a district school board shall be filled by appointment by a majority of the remaining members of the district school board. A vacancy in an elected office in the membership of a local school committee shall be filled by appointment by a majority of the remaining members of the local school committee. If a majority of the membership of the district school board or local school committee is vacant or if a majority cannot agree, a vacancy shall be filled as follows:

(a) In a county that has an education service district, the education service district board shall fill a vacancy on the district school board. In a county that does not have an education service district, the governing

body of the county in which the administrative office of the district is located shall fill a vacancy on the district board.

(b) A vacancy on the local school committee shall be filled by the administrative school district board.

(2) The period of service of an appointee shall expire June 30 next following the next regular district election at which a successor is elected. The successor shall be elected to serve the remainder, if any, of the term for which the appointment was made. If the term for which the appointment was made expires June 30 after the election of the successor, the successor shall be elected to a full term. In either case the successor shall take office July 1 next following the election. [1983 c.350 §143]

330.770 [1957 c.619 §40, 1959 c.423 §12; repealed by 1965 c.100 §456]

330.772 Election laws applicable. ORS chapter 255 governs the nomination and election of district school board members and local school committee members, and the conduct of all elections under ORS 330.505 to 330.780, except as specifically provided in ORS 330.665 when a candidate is nominated from an attendance area by a nominating petition. [1983 c.350 §152; 1987 c.7 §2]

330.775 Administrative school district that includes all territory within county. When an administrative school district comes into existence and includes all of the territory within a county, exclusive of joint territory that reports in another county but including joint territory that reports within the county:

(1) The district superintendent of the administrative school district shall act as the county school superintendent of the county.

(2) The education service district in the county is abolished. [1959 c.423 §14]

330.780 Attendance units; transportation. (1) The school board for the administrative school district shall divide the district into such attendance units as may be proper and shall promulgate rules with respect to the particular school which each child shall attend. For the purposes of this section, an "attendance unit" is the geographical area which is served by a single school, consisting of part, or all, of a local administrative unit; and a "local administrative unit" is a geographical area which for purposes of operating schools or contracting for school services, is under the supervision or control of a single school board.

(2) Whenever any reorganization plan provides for the transportation of pupils from one part of a new administrative school district to a central point, and such plan is approved by the electors of the administrative

school district, it is mandatory upon the school board of the administrative school district to provide adequate and practical transportation or a reasonable allowance for board and room in lieu thereof. [1957 c.619 §39; 1965 c.100 §104]

330.790 Attendance at high schools outside administrative school district; payment of tuition. (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of ORS 330.780, where a resident pupil of an administrative school district had been attending a standard junior high or high school outside of the administrative school district prior to its organization, the parent or guardian of such pupil or, if the pupil has attained the age of majority, the pupil shall have the option of continuing the pupil's education until graduation at such standard junior high or high school outside the administrative school district upon written notice being given to the board of directors thereof prior to May 1 preceding the school year for which the tuition is requested.

(2) The administrative district shall pay the tuition of all such pupils resident within the district who are attending the junior high or high schools outside the administrative district, but transportation shall be the responsibility of the parent or guardian or, if the pupil has attained the age of majority, of the pupil. The estimated cost of tuition shall be included in and be a part of the budget of the administrative district. The

school district at which such pupils are completing their education shall accept such pupils on a tuition basis. Such tuition shall not exceed the current average per pupil cost of operation in the school attended.

(3) This section shall apply to administrative school districts organized and formed on or after July 1, 1963. [1963 c.262 §§1, 2, 3, 1973 c.827 §27]

330.800 Amendment of reorganization plan; effective date of amendment. The district school board of an administrative school district may submit any question relating to the amendment of the reorganization plan under which the district was established, except a boundary change, to the electors of the district at any regular district election, and must submit any such question upon petition of at least 50 electors of the district or a number of electors of the district equal to at least 10 percent of the votes cast at the last regular district election in the district, whichever is the lesser. If the electors approve the amendment submitted under this section, the district school board shall declare the amendment effective at the end of the fiscal year unless a different effective date was part of the question of amendment submitted to the electors. [1965 c.101 §1; 1983 c.83 §59; 1983 c.350 §158]

330.990 [Subsection (2) of 1963 part formerly 329.990; repealed by 1965 c 100 §456]

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