

SENATE BILL No. 247

By Committee on Education

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AN ACT concerning school districts; relating to the effective date of transfers of territory; amending K.S.A. 2000 Supp. 72-7108 and repealing the existing section.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. K.S.A. 2000 Supp. 72-7108 is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-7108. Transfers of territory from one unified district to another unified district shall be made only as follows: (a) Upon the written agreement of any two boards approved by the state board of education, or (b) upon order of the state board after petition therefor by one board and a public hearing thereon conducted by the state board of education. ~~Unless otherwise agreed to by the boards and approved by the state board of education, the effective date of any such transfer shall be the date of approval thereof or order therefor issued by the state board of education~~ *or the July 1 following the expiration of a 12-month period commencing on the date of the approval of the transfer or order therefor issued by the state board of education.* Notice of the public hearing on such a petition shall be given by publication by the state board of education for two consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in the unified district from which territory is to be transferred, the last publication to be not more than 10 nor less than three days prior to the date of the hearing. The notice shall state the time and place of the hearing and shall give a summary description of the territory proposed to be transferred. Within 90 days after receiving an agreement or, if a public hearing is held, within 90 days after the hearing, the state board of education shall issue its order either approving or disapproving such transfer petition or agreement, or approving the same with such amendments as it deems appropriate. Whenever a petition for transfer of territory has been denied by the state board of education, no petition for transfer of substantially the same territory shall be received or considered by the state board of education for a period of two years.

Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2000 Supp. 72-7108 is hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.