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CHAPTER 227  
SENATE BILL 1320

AN ACT  

AMENDING SECTIONS 28-9102 AND 28-9104, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO INTERGOVERNMENTAL PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITIES.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)
Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

Section 1. Section 28-9102, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

28-9102. Formation

A. An intergovernmental public transportation authority may be organized as provided by this section in any county with a population of

B. The governing body of one or more incorporated cities or towns may petition the county board of supervisors to establish an authority consisting of the area within the incorporated boundary of the municipality or municipalities.

C. If the organizing municipalities are not contiguous, the unincorporated areas between the organizing municipalities must also be included in the authority with the approval of the county board of supervisors. The board of supervisors shall establish the boundaries of the unincorporated area to be included in the authority.

D. Incorporated cities and towns in different counties, each of which meet the population limit prescribed by subsection A OF THIS SECTION, may petition their respective county boards of supervisors to establish a joint authority consisting of the combined areas within their respective municipal boundaries and including any intervening unincorporated areas in the counties.

E. The board of supervisors shall hold at least one hearing on the petition in one of the petitioning municipalities to determine public support for the authority and whether establishing the authority would be in the public interest. In the case of petitioning municipalities in different counties, the board of supervisors of each county shall hold separate hearings and each board shall make its determination separately.

F. If the board of supervisors determines that establishing the authority would serve the public convenience, necessity, safety or welfare, the board of supervisors shall establish the authority by a resolution that includes a description of the boundaries of the authority. In the case of an authority in different counties, the county boards of supervisors shall establish the authority by an intergovernmental agreement.

G. If an authority is established under this chapter, any university that is under the jurisdiction of the Arizona board of regents and that is located in a municipality in the authority, any community college district that is located in a municipality in the authority, or any Indian nation that has a boundary within a county in which an authority is established, may become a member of the authority by intergovernmental agreement.
Sec. 2. Section 28-9104, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

28-9104. Dissolution

A. A majority of the board of directors of an authority may propose that the authority be dissolved, but only if all contractual obligations and debts of the authority are satisfied and if another governmental entity or entities accept dedication of all authority property and obligations.

B. After a hearing, the board shall adopt by resolution a plan of termination to be executed within a stated period of time after it is adopted.

C. The growth of a county population to more than two FOUR hundred thousand persons does not cause the dissolution of an authority by operation of law.

APPROVED BY THE GOVERNOR MAY 9, 2022.