

**THE REVISED SCHOOL CODE (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 451 of 1976**

**380.703 Plan for disorganization of intermediate school district; request; resolution; notice of meeting; approval of state board; finality; effective date of disorganization; joint meetings of boards; distribution of assets; taxes; appointment of intermediate school board members; term; notification.**

Sec. 703.

(1) An intermediate school district comprised of less than 5 constituent districts and having no bonded indebtedness may be disorganized and its constituent districts attached to contiguous intermediate school districts under this section.

(2) The board of each constituent district may request the intermediate school board to prescribe a plan for disorganization of the intermediate school district. Each request shall designate another intermediate school district to which the constituent district desires to be attached. The intermediate school board shall prescribe, by resolution, a plan under which each of the constituent districts will be attached in whole to contiguous intermediate school districts designated in the requests. If the designated intermediate school district is not contiguous, the intermediate school board's plan may prescribe attachment to a contiguous intermediate school district.

(3) The intermediate superintendent of the intermediate school district that is to be disorganized shall give 30 days' notice of the time and place of the meeting of the intermediate school board and of the proposed plan for disorganization by publication of the notice in a newspaper of general circulation in the intermediate school district. The intermediate school board shall present the adopted plan for dissolution to the board of each of its constituent districts and to the intermediate school board of each intermediate school district whose boundaries would be enlarged by the proposal.

(4) The intermediate superintendent of each intermediate school district whose boundaries would be enlarged by the dissolution shall give 30 days' notice of the time and place of the meeting of the intermediate school board and of the recommended plan for enlargement of the intermediate school district by publication of the notice in a newspaper of general circulation in the intermediate school district.

(5) If the intermediate school board of each affected intermediate school district approves the plan for disorganization, the intermediate school board of the intermediate school district to be dissolved shall refer the matter to the superintendent of public instruction for approval. The action of the superintendent of public instruction declaring the intermediate school district dissolved is final. Disorganization of the intermediate school district and attachment of its constituent districts to contiguous intermediate school districts takes effect on July 1 after the date of the approval of the superintendent of public instruction.

(6) The intermediate school boards of the intermediate school districts to which territory is attached by dissolution shall meet jointly, sitting as a single board, and make an equitable distribution of the money, property, and other assets belonging to the disorganized intermediate school district among the intermediate school districts affected. The territory of constituent districts transferred to other intermediate school districts by dissolution shall be subject to all taxes levied for purposes of the intermediate school district to which transferred, including taxes for the retirement of bonded indebtedness, special education programs, and area vocational-technical education programs.

(7) Within 30 days after a district attaches to a contiguous intermediate school district under this section, the board of the intermediate school district whose boundaries have been enlarged by the dissolution may appoint 2 school electors of constituent districts, 1 of whom shall be an elector of the attached district, to membership on the intermediate school board. Intermediate school board members appointed under this subsection serve until January 1 or, if the intermediate school district's regular school election is held in May, until July 1 after the next intermediate school district election. The intermediate school board may determine 1 initial term of less than 6 years for 1 of the additional members to be elected at the intermediate school district election. Notification of an appointment shall be filed with the superintendent of public instruction.

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