



HB22-1097

County Authority for District Dissolution Application

Sponsors: Rep. D. Valdez; Sen. Simpson

County governments in Colorado are empowered to **create** a wide number of local special districts that address various community needs, including irrigation, pest control, ambulance service, recreation, libraries and local improvements/services like wastewater treatment, storm drainage and fire protection. However, counties do **not** currently have statutory authority to initiate a process to dissolve a special district. The Special District Act gives municipalities and regional service authorities the ability to file an application for dissolution of a service district that is defunct or no longer in operation.

HB 1097 would grant counties the same statutory authority as municipalities and regional service authorities and allow county commissioners to file an application with a special district to dissolve the district. This ability includes the option to have the court dissolve those districts with no financial obligations or outstanding debt, without an election, so long as the special district consents to the dissolution.

HB 1097 is a good governance bill that ensures taxpayer money is spent in a proper manner and that local government services are being delivered at a high standard.

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