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Overview

Current law specifies procedures for changing election precinct boundaries. This bill specifies the roles of election officials in handling boundary changes including those caused when a municipality annexes territory.

Section

Precinct boundaries; description; maps. Currently the municipal clerk notifies the secretary of state of precinct boundary changes. The bill provides for this notice also to be given to the county auditor when a precinct boundary changes or annexation affects a boundary. Requires the clerk to file a corrected base map with the county auditor and the secretary of state. Specifies the time for this filing when there has been an annexation: the later of 30 days after the annexation order or the effective date of the annexation order. Provides for the county auditor to give the clerk a precinct finder and base map. The clerk, rather than the secretary of state, will then provide the corrected precinct finder to the auditor and secretary of state. The secretary of state will update the precinct boundary data base.