

Chart 3. Annexation by Consent

State	Requirement for Annexation Approval by Petition	Requirements for Election in Territory To Be Annexed	Requirements for Election in Annexing City	Protest Requirements
Alabama	100% of property owners	majority approval by resident voters		
Alaska	100% of property owners and voters in the territory	majority approval by resident voters	optional - majority approval of voters	
Arizona	owners of one-half or more of the assessed value of the real and personal property and more than one-half of the persons owning real and personal property in the territory to be annexed			
Arkansas		majority approval by combined vote of city and annexation territory voters	majority approval by combined vote of city and annexation territory voters	
California		majority approval by voters		After approval of annexation by LAFCO, if 25% of voters or owners who own at least 25% of the assessed value of land in the territory file a written protest an election must be held. If 50% or more of registered voters file a written protest the annexation is terminated.
Colorado	more than 50% of the landowners in the area and owning more than 50% of the area	majority approval by owner-electors		
Connecticut	All the territory in the state is incorporated.			

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Delaware		majority approval by voters in the territory		
Florida	100% of property owners in territory	majority of voters in territory	optional-majority of voters	
Georgia	100% of owners in territory or at least 60% of resident voters and owners of at least 60% of land area by acreage in the territory	majority of voters in territory		
Hawaii	There are no cities in Hawaii.			
Idaho		a majority of the owners must approve the annexation by written consent		
Illinois		majority of electors in territory		
Indiana	optional - 51% of property owners or 75% of the owners of the total assessed value of the land in territory or 100% of property owners			
Iowa		majority approval by combined vote of city and annexation territory voters	majority approval by combined vote of city and annexation territory voters	
Kansas	100% of property owners in territory	majority of property owners in the territory in a mail ballot		

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Kentucky		46% of voters must approve		In cities with a population under 100,000, residents can protest the annexation by filing a petition signed by 50% of the resident voters or property owners in the territory. An election must be held. If less than 55% of those persons voting oppose annexation, the territory shall be annexed. If 55% or more of those persons voting oppose annexation, the property will not be annexed. In cities with a population of 100,000 or more, residents must file a petition in circuit court protesting the annexation.
Louisiana	a majority of the voters and a majority of the owners who own 25% of the assessed value of property in the territory	majority approval by resident voters	majority approval of voters	
Maine	Not authorized by constitution or general law.			
Maryland		majority approval by voters if referendum was requested by county or residents in the territory	majority approval by voters if referendum was requested by voters in the annexing city	A referendum is held if 20% of voters in territory or annexing city request an election, or if 2/3 of county governing body requests one.
Massachusetts	Not authorized by constitution or general law.			
Michigan		majority of electors	majority of electors if election requested	If 5% of registered voters in territory file a petition, an election will be held.
Minnesota				
Mississippi				
Missouri	100% of owners	majority of electors	majority of electors	

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Montana		majority of voters	majority of voters if annexation requested by residents	
Nebraska				
Nevada				A majority of owners in the territory can protest to stop the annexation.
New Hampshire				
New Jersey	No unincorporated land in the state. The only annexation that takes place is between cities.			
New Mexico				
New York		majority of residents		
North Carolina		majority of resident voters		
North Dakota	$\frac{3}{4}$ of the qualified electors or by the owners of not less than $\frac{3}{4}$ in assessed value of the property			A city may also initiate annexation on its own initiative but if the owners of $\frac{1}{4}$ or more of the territory protest the annexation, then the dispute must be submitted to mediation and possibly adjudication by the office of administrative hearings.
Ohio				
Oklahoma	$\frac{3}{4}$ of the registered voters and the owners of at least $\frac{3}{4}$ (in value) of the property	written consent of majority of owners		
Oregon	all of the owners and not less than 50% of the electors, if any, residing in the territory	majority of voters		
Pennsylvania				
Rhode Island				

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South Carolina	75% or more of the freeholders owning at least 75% of the assessed value of property in the area	majority of electors		
South Dakota	3/4 of the registered voters and by the owners of not less than 3/4 of the value of the territory	majority approval by combined vote of city and annexation territory voters	majority approval by combined vote of city and annexation territory voters	
Tennessee		majority of electors	optional- majority of voters	
Texas		majority of voters		
Utah				Private property owners in a first class county or a county legislative body may file a protest. If a protest is filed then the city can choose to deny the annexation or the matter will be submitted to the boundary commission. The commission will then make a decision on whether or not to approve the annexation.
Vermont				
Virginia				
Washington	petition signed by owners representing 60% of the assessed value in the territory or by a majority of owners and voters in the territory if petition method is used	majority of voters if election method is used		
West Virginia	majority of the voters and all owners in the territory	majority of voters	majority of voters	

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Wisconsin	100% of electors and owners	majority of voters		
Wyoming	a majority of owners owning a majority of the territory to be annexed			If more than 50% of the landowners, or if a landowner or landowners owning more than 50% of the area to be annexed file written objections, no further action may be taken on any area within the proposed annexation within two years.

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