

**473H.14 ANNEXATION PROCEEDINGS.**

Agricultural preserve land within a township shall not be annexed to a municipality pursuant to chapter 414, without a specific finding by the chief administrative law judge of the state Office of Administrative Hearings that either (a) the expiration period as provided for in section 473H.08 has begun; (b) the township due to size, tax base, population or other relevant factors would not be able to provide normal governmental functions and services; or (c) the agricultural preserve would be completely surrounded by lands within a municipality.

This section shall not apply to annexation agreements approved under proceedings authorized by chapter 414 prior to creation of the preserve.

**History:** 1980 c 566 s 14; 1982 c 523 art 32 s 11; 2003 c 2 art 5 s 13; 2008 c 196 art 2 s 11