

HOUSE BILL 426:Town of Weldon/Deannexation

2013-2014 General Assembly

Committee: House Finance, Subcommittee on Annexation **Date:** June 3, 2015

and Deannexation

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SUMMARY: House Bill 426 would deannex five described tracts of land from the corporate limits of the Town of Weldon.

CURRENT LAW: Under Section 1 of Article VII of the NC Constitution, the General Assembly is empowered to "provide for the organization and government and the fixing of boundaries of counties, cities and towns, and other governmental subdivisions, and, except as otherwise prohibited by this Constitution, may give such powers and duties to counties, cities and towns, and other governmental subdivisions as it may deem advisable."

Pursuant to this Section, the General Assembly enacted Article 4A of Chapter 160A of the General Statutes, which governs municipal annexations. The General Assembly has not enacted any method for municipalities to *deannex* property — that power remains with the General Assembly.

BILL ANALYSIS:

Section 1 of the bill deannexes five described tracts of land from the corporate limits of the Town of Weldon.

Section 2 of the bill preserves any outstanding property tax liens or special assessments of the Town of Weldon on the affected properties.

BACKGROUND: The Town Manager for the Town of Weldon stated that the property was originally a satellite annexation to facilitate a development that never occurred.

EFFECTIVE DATE: House Bill 426 would become effective June 30, 2015.

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