

HOUSE BILL 493: Lake Lure Deannexation

2015-2016 General Assembly

Committee: Senate Ref to State and Local Government. If **Date:** June 19, 2015

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SUMMARY: The PCS to House Bill 493 would deannex Mystic Waters Farm from the Town of Lake

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 annexation. The General Assembly has not enacted any method for municipalities to *deannex* property — that power remains with the General Assembly.

BILL ANALYSIS: House Bill 493 would deannex Mystic Waters Farm, LLC, property, formerly known as Eagle Camp, LLC. Property taxes and special assessments imposed by the Town of Lake Lure before the effective date would remain valid and may be collected as if the property were still in the Town.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This act would become effective June 30, 2015.

BACKGROUND: On December 9, 2014, the Lake Lure Town Council approved a resolution endorsing the deannexation of Mystic Waters Farm.

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