



SENATE BILL 5: Mecklenburg/Police Countywide Jurisdiction.

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OVERVIEW: *Senate Bill 5 OVERVIEW: The amendment for Senate Bill 5 would extend by agreement the authority and rights of police officers to include Mecklenburg County, as approved by the Board of Commissioners.*

CURRENT LAW: Countywide Jurisdiction to Police Departments.--Chapter 1170 of the 1969 Session Laws authorizes the police of the City of Charlotte, with the approval of the Board of Commissioners of Mecklenburg County, to exercise the same jurisdiction, authority, powers and rights throughout Mecklenburg County as they do within the city limits of Charlotte.

BILL ANALYSIS:

Section 1(a) of Senate Bill 5 would authorize, upon approval by the Mecklenburg County Board of Commissioners, City of Charlotte police officers to exercise the same jurisdiction in Mecklenburg County as they do within the City of Charlotte. Charlotte and Mecklenburg County must enter into an agreement setting guidelines to implement the act.

Section 1(b) of Senate Bill 5 would authorize, upon approval by the Mecklenburg County Board of Commissioners, the police officers of an individual municipality in Mecklenburg County to exercise the same extraterritorial jurisdiction in Mecklenburg County as they do within their own municipality. The municipality and Mecklenburg County must enter into an agreement setting guidelines to implement the act.

Section 1(c) of Senate Bill 5 This section does not restrict or prohibit the authority of the Sheriff of Mecklenburg County.

EFFECTIVE DATE: The act is effective when it becomes law.

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