

## **HOUSE BILL 1012: Jacksonville Deannex/Southern Pines/ETJ.**

## 2021-2022 General Assembly

**Committee:** Senate Finance. If favorable, re-refer to Rules **Date:** June 23, 2022

and Operations of the Senate

Introduced by: Rep. Shepard Analysis of: Prepared by: Greg Roney Staff Attorney

OVERVIEW: House Bill 1012 would remove one tract of land from the corporate limits and extraterritorial jurisdiction of the City of Jacksonville, remove two other tracts of land from the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the City of Jacksonville, and remove one tract of land from the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the City of Southern Pines.

**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. In addition, the General Assembly may annex property by local act. However, the General Assembly has not enacted any method for municipalities to deannex property. Only the General Assembly may deannex property.

**BILL ANALYSIS:** House Bill 1012 would remove one tract of land from the corporate limits and extraterritorial jurisdiction of the City of Jacksonville, remove two other tracts of land from the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the City of Jacksonville, and remove one tract of land from the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the City of Southern Pines.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** The bill would become effective June 30, 2022, and apply to tax years beginning July 1, 2022.

