



HOUSE BILL 50: Calypso Annexation.

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OVERVIEW: *House Bill 50 would add a certain described property to the corporate limits of the Town of Calypso and would become effective June 30, 2021.*

CURRENT LAW: Annexation is a method by which municipalities alter their boundaries. The municipality must follow the statutorily prescribed steps to add an area into its boundaries. The municipality must provide, or contract to provide, basic services to the area. These services include police protection, fire protection, solid waste collection and the extension of water and sewer lines to the area. North Carolina law outlines four basic ways in which a municipality may annex an area.

- **Legislative Act.** – The General Assembly has authority under Section 1 of Article VII of the State Constitution to fix the boundaries of counties, cities, and towns.
- **Voluntary Annexation.** – The owners of all real property in an area contiguous to the municipality desiring to be annexed sign a petition requesting annexation (Part 1 of Article 4A of Chapter 160A).
- **Voluntary Satellite Annexation.** – The owners of all real property in the area desiring to be annexed sign a petition requesting annexation, if the area otherwise meets certain statutory requirements (Part 4 of Article 4A of Chapter 160A).
- **Municipality-Initiated Annexation Subject to a Referendum.** – The municipality initiates an annexation proceeding that must be approved by majority of the registered voters of the area proposed for annexation (Part 7 of Article 4A of Chapter 160A).

BILL ANALYSIS: House Bill 50 would annex 35.43 acres into the corporate limits of the Town of Calypso as a non-contiguous annexation by legislative act.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This act would become effective June 30, 2021. Property annexed as of January 1, 2021, would be subject to municipal taxes for taxes imposed for taxable years beginning on or after July 1, 2021.

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