

## **HOUSE BILL 995:**

## Greensboro Deannex/Weldon City Bd of Ed Pay.

## 2021-2022 General Assembly

Committee: Senate Rules and Operations of the Senate Date: June 23, 2022
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## OVERVIEW: House Bill 995 would:

- Remove a 6.991 acre tract of land from the corporate limits of the City of Greensboro.
- Set the monthly compensation for the chair of the Weldon City Board of Education at \$650 and its members at \$550 and allow for future increases in compensation and the establishment of an expense allowance.

**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.

Weldon City Board of Education members are to receive the same compensation and expense allowances as the members of the Halifax County Board of Education (Section 5 of S.L. 1983-984). Compensation for members of the Halifax County Board of Education is determined by the Halifax County Board of Commissioners (G.S. 115C-38).

**BILL ANALYSIS:** House Bill 995 would remove a 6.991 acre tract of land from the corporate limits of the City of Greensboro.

House Bill 504 would also amend Section 5 of S.L. 1983-984 to set the compensation of the chair of the Weldon City Board of Education at \$650 per month and its members at \$550 per month.

Beginning July 1, 2025, the Weldon City Board of Education would be allowed to increase the amount of monthly compensation for the chair and members of the Weldon City Board of Education in an amount not to exceed four percent (4%) in any four year period.

Beginning July 1, 2021, the Weldon City Board of Education would be allowed to establish an expense allowance for the chair and members by majority vote.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** The deannexation would become effective June 30, 2022, and apply to tax years beginning July 1, 2022. The compensation changes for Weldon City Board of Education are effective when the bill becomes law.

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