



# HOUSE BILL 1064: City of Southport/Remove ETJ Authority.

2023-2024 General Assembly

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<b>Committee:</b>	House Local Government. If favorable, re- refer to Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House	<b>Date:</b>	June 11, 2024
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**OVERVIEW:** *House Bill 1064 would eliminate the authority of the City of Southport (City) to exercise extraterritorial jurisdiction.*

**CURRENT LAW:** Except under certain circumstances, a municipality may regulate land use within an area beyond its corporate limits, commonly referred to as extraterritorial jurisdiction (ETJ). Land use regulations include zoning, subdivision regulation, building code enforcement, minimum housing code enforcement, historic preservation, erosion and sedimentation control regulation, and historic district regulation.

**BILL ANALYSIS:** House Bill 1064 would do the following:

- Eliminate the City's authority to exercise extraterritorial jurisdiction.
- Return the area currently within the City's ETJ to the jurisdiction of the County of Brunswick for enforcement of land use regulations.
- Allow any persons with vested rights in the City's ETJ to exercise the vested rights as if no change in jurisdiction occurred and allow the County of Brunswick to take action pertaining to development that could have been taken by the City under the City's land use regulations.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** Effective when it becomes law.

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