



HOUSE BILL 285: Archdale No Satellite Annex. Cap/Zoo Annex.

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OVERVIEW: *House Bill 285 would:*

- *Exempt the City of Archdale from the 10% area cap on voluntary satellite annexations.*
- *Annex certain property into the corporate limits of the City of Asheboro.*

CURRENT LAW: Annexation is a method by which municipalities alter their boundaries. The municipality must follow the statutorily prescribed steps in order 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 sets forth four basic ways in which a municipality may annex an area:

- Voluntary Annexation. – The owners of all real property in an area contiguous to the municipality desiring to be annexed sign a petition requesting annexation.
- Voluntary Satellite Annexation. – The owners of all real property in the area desiring to be annexed sign a petition requesting annexation, if it otherwise meets the statutory requirements, including a requirement that the area within the proposed satellite corporate limits, when added to the area within all other satellite corporate limits, may not exceed 10% of the area within the primary corporate limits of the annexing city.
- Municipal-Initiated Annexation subject to a referendum. – The municipality initiates an annexation proceeding, pursuant to statutory requirements.
- Legislative Act. – The General Assembly has the authority to extend the boundaries of any municipality.

BILL ANALYSIS: Section 1 of House Bill 285 would add the City of Archdale to the list of municipalities exempted from the 10% area cap on voluntary satellite annexation.

Section 2 of House Bill 285 would add 28 parcels of real property to the corporate limits of the City of Asheboro. This property contains the North Carolina Zoological Park.

EFFECTIVE DATE: House Bill 285 removes the cap on satellite annexations for the City of Archdale when the bill becomes law and annexes property to the City of Asheboro for tax years beginning on or after July 1, 2023.

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