



# HOUSE BILL 333: Jacksonville/ETJ Prohibited.

2025-2026 General Assembly

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<b>Committee:</b>	House Judiciary 1. If favorable, re-refer to State and Local Government. If favorable, re-refer to Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House	<b>Date:</b>	March 25, 2025
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**OVERVIEW:** *House Bill 333 would eliminate the authority of the City of Jacksonville (City) to exercise extraterritorial jurisdiction.*

**CURRENT LAW:** Except under certain circumstances, a city 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, and historic district regulation.

**BILL ANALYSIS:** House Bill 333 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 Onslow.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** The act would be effective when it becomes law.

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