GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2003

SESSION LAW 2003-321
SENATE BILL 452

AN ACT CONCERNING SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS BY MUNICIPALITIES IN UNION COUNTY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 160A-58(1) reads as rewritten:

"(1) "City" means any city, town, or village without regard to population. ~~population, except cities not qualified to receive gasoline tax allocations under G.S. 136-41.2.~~"

SECTION 2. G.S. 160A-58.1(b) reads as rewritten:

"(b) A noncontiguous area proposed for annexation must meet all of the following standards:

(1) The nearest point on the proposed satellite corporate limits must be not more than ~~three~~ two miles from the primary corporate limits of the annexing ~~city.~~ city or must be contiguous to the satellite corporate limits of the annexing city.

(2) No point on the proposed satellite corporate limits may be closer to the primary corporate limits of another city than to the primary corporate limits of the annexing city, except as set forth in subsection (b2) of this ~~section.~~section and except that this subdivision does not apply if the area proposed for annexation is contiguous to the satellite corporate limits.

(3) The area must be so situated that the annexing city will be able to provide the same services within the proposed satellite corporate limits that it provides within its primary corporate limits.

~~(4) If the area proposed for annexation, or any portion thereof, is a subdivision as defined in G.S. 160A-376, all of the subdivision must be included.~~

(5) The area within the proposed satellite corporate limits, when added to the area within all other satellite corporate limits, may not exceed ~~ten percent (10%)~~twenty percent (20%) of the area within the primary corporate limits of the annexing city.

This subdivision does not apply to the cities of Claremont, Concord, Conover, Newton, Sanford, Salisbury, and Southport, and the Towns of Catawba, Maiden, Midland, Swansboro, and Warsaw."

SECTION 3. This act applies in Union County only.

SECTION 4. This act is effective when it becomes law.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 16th day of July, 2003.

s/ Marc Basnight
President Pro Tempore of the Senate

s/ Richard T. Morgan
Speaker of the House of Representatives