

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY
1969 SESSION

CHAPTER 193
HOUSE BILL 226

AN ACT TO PROVIDE AN ELECTION OR REFERENDUM FOR CERTAIN
AREAS IN ROCKINGHAM COUNTY ON THE QUESTION OF WHETHER OR
NOT THEY SHALL BE ANNEXED TO THE MADISON-MAYODAN CITY
ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. The area or territory, commonly known as the Huntsville School District, whose residents shall be the subject of the election or referendum hereinafter provided as to whether or not the said area shall be annexed to the territory of the Madison-Mayodan City Administrative Unit is hereby described as follows:

"Beginning at a point at the intersection of Dan River with the Rockingham-Stokes County line, thence north easterly with said river to a point west of D. W. Busicks south line, on the old Lindsey place, thence southerly with said line to the creek; thence northeasterly with said creek to the ford east of the W. R. Lindsey place; thence east with the road to the northern boundary of the Hopper Place, thence easterly with the Hopper line to 100 feet east of the Southern Railroad right-of-way; thence parallel with said railroad right of way to P. B. Neal's north line; thence with said line to Hogens Creek; thence south with Hogan's Creek to O. E. Paynes' south line; thence east with O. E. Paynes' south line to the old Baggage road now U. S. 220; thence south with U. S. 220 to the Rockingham-Guilford line; thence west with said line to the Rockingham-Stokes line; thence north with same to the beginning."

Sec. 2. Upon presentation to the Rockingham County Board of Education of a petition signed by twenty-five per cent (25%) of the qualified voters who reside in the area described above, it shall be the duty of the Rockingham County Board of Education to petition the board of County Commissioners of Rockingham County for an election on the question of whether or not the area designated above shall be annexed to the Madison-Mayodan City Administrative Unit and become a part of same and its public school system. The Board of County Commissioners of Rockingham County shall conduct and hold an election or referendum in the above designated area, for the purpose of determining if said area shall be annexed to the Madison-Mayodan City Administrative Unit. The said election shall be held according to the rules and regulations set forth in Article XIV of Chapter 115 of the General Statutes and particularly according to the rules governing elections set forth in G. S. 115-122. The ballot to be used in the above designated area shall have written or printed thereon the words: "For Annexation to the Madison-Mayodan City Administrative Unit." Likewise,

there shall also be printed on the same ballot the following: "Against Annexation to the Madison-Mayodan City Administrative Unit."

The Board of County Commissioners of Rockingham County shall have the power and authority to call upon the Rockingham County Board of Elections to hold or conduct such elections or referendum if the said Board of County Commissioners decides to do so, and the expense of such elections or referendums shall be paid by the Board of County Commissioners of Rockingham County. If a majority of the qualified voters voting in the area above described shall vote in favor of the annexation, then the area shall be annexed to the Madison-Mayodan City Administrative Unit, and the residents of the area so annexed shall become a part of the Madison-Mayodan City Administrative Unit, go to its public schools and shall pay the school taxes assessed in the Madison-Mayodan City Administrative Unit, together with such other taxes as may from time to time be lawfully imposed for the use and benefit of the Madison-Mayodan City Administrative Unit. If the majority of the qualified voters in said election and the above designated area shall vote against annexation, then the status of the said area shall be the same as the status prior to the election.

Sec. 3. In the event the above-described area is annexed to the Madison-Mayodan City Administrative Unit, then all land and buildings of the Rockingham County Board of Education located within the above- described area, shall continue to be the sole property of the Rockingham County Board of Education and may be sold, exchanged or otherwise handled as the sole property of the Rockingham County Board of Education, and all personal property including books, equipment, and fixtures shall become the sole property of the Madison-Mayodan City Administrative Unit.

Sec. 4. All laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this Act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 5. This Act shall be in full force and effect from and after its ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 7th day of April, 1969.