

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY
1977 SESSION

CHAPTER 455
SENATE BILL 714

AN ACT TO MAKE PART 3 OF ARTICLE 4A, CHAPTER 160A OF THE
GENERAL STATUTES, APPLICABLE TO THE CITY OF ROANOKE RAPIDS,
SUBJECT TO A VOTE OF THE PEOPLE IN ROANOKE RAPIDS TOWNSHIP.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. Subject to approval of the voters of Roanoke Rapids Township pursuant to Section 2 of this act, G.S. 160A-56, as the same appears in the 1976 Replacement Volume 3D of the General Statutes, is amended by striking out of the second line thereof the word "Halifax".

Sec. 2. Unless the election specified herein is canceled pursuant to Section 3 hereof, the Halifax County Board of Elections shall, at the general election to be held in November 1978, prepare and submit to the qualified voters of Roanoke Rapids Township a ballot bearing the words "FOR STATEWIDE ANNEXATION LAW" and "AGAINST STATEWIDE ANNEXATION LAW". The election shall be conducted in accordance with the laws, rules and regulations governing general elections. A notice of the special election shall be given as provided in G.S. 163-33(8). No new or special registration shall be required, and all qualified electors of the township shall be eligible to vote on said question; if a majority of those voting vote "FOR STATEWIDE ANNEXATION LAW", then G.S. 160A-56 shall be amended as provided in Section 1 of this act, effective on January 1, 1979. If a majority of those voting vote "AGAINST STATEWIDE ANNEXATION LAW", then G.S. 160A-56 shall not be so amended and this act for all intents and purposes shall be null and void.

Sec. 3. The City Council of the City of Roanoke Rapids is hereby authorized to cancel the special election specified in Section 2 hereof by the adoption of a resolution during the month of June 1978, canceling the same and by transmitting written notice of such adoption to the Halifax County Board of Elections not later than July 10, 1978. If such a resolution is so adopted and notice thereof so transmitted, then the Halifax County Board of Elections shall not conduct the special election specified in Section 1 and this act shall be null and void.

Sec. 4. Subject to Section 2 hereof, this act becomes effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 30th day of May, 1977.