



# HOUSE BILL 24: Various Satellite Annexations/No Cap.

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**OVERVIEW:** *The Proposed Committee Substitute (PCS) for House Bill 24 would exempt the Cities of Kings Mountain and Shelby and the Towns of Franklinville, Liberty, Ramseur, and Stanley from the 10% area cap on voluntary satellite annexations.*

*Compared to the second edition of House Bill 24, the PCS makes a technical correction: reordering the municipalities listed in G.S. 160A-58.1(b)(5).*

**CURRENT LAW:** G.S. 160A-58.1 governs the voluntary municipal annexation of noncontiguous property, also known as voluntary satellite annexation.

If all property owners in a satellite area petition a municipality for voluntary annexation of the noncontiguous property, the municipality may annex the property, but only if the following 5 requirements are met:

1. The nearest point on the proposed satellite corporate limits must not be more than 3 miles from the primary corporate limits of the annexing municipality.
2. No point on the proposed satellite corporate limits may be closer to the primary corporate limits of another municipality than to the primary corporate limits of the annexing municipality.
3. The area must be so situated that the annexing municipality will be able to provide the same services within the proposed satellite corporate limits than 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. 160D-102(31), the entire 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 10% of the area within the primary corporate limits of the annexing city.*

**BILL ANALYSIS:** The PCS for House Bill 24 would add the Cities of Kings Mountain and Shelby and the Towns of Franklinville, Liberty, Ramseur, and Stanley to the list of municipalities exempted from the 10% area cap on voluntary satellite annexation.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** The PCS for House Bill 24 would be effective when it becomes law.

**BACKGROUND:** The General Assembly has exempted over 100 other municipalities from this requirement in G.S. 160A-58.1(b)(5).

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