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H 549. POLK ANNEXATION REFERENDUM. Filed 3/7/07. TO PROVIDE IN POLK COUNTY FOR REFERENDA ON ANNEXATIONS IF REQUESTED BY RESIDENTS OF THE AREA TO BE ANNEXED.

Amends GS 160A-37 (concerning annexation by cities with a population of less than 5,000) and GS 160A-49 (concerning annexation by cities with a population of 5,000 or greater) prohibiting annexation if 20% of the registered voters in the proposed annexation area present the city a petition in opposition to the annexation at the public hearing. If this happens, the annexation is allowed only if it is approved in a referendum. The election to determine whether the area in question will be annexed must take place within 100 days after the board of election receives the order from the city council. Sets requirements for the resolution of the board of elections concerning the election, voter registration, and election costs. Applies only to Polk County.

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