May 20, 2010

H 1933. ORANGE/ALAMANCE BOUNDARY. Filed 5/20/10. TO ENABLE THE TRANSITION OF PROPERTIES OF THE AREA ALONG THEIR COMMON BOUNDARY BETWEEN ALAMANCE COUNTY AND ORANGE COUNTY DUE TO THE 2008 NORTH CAROLINA GEODETIC SURVEY WORK THAT DEPICTED AND MONUMENTED THE HISTORIC ORANGE COUNTY/ALAMANCE COUNTY BOUNDARY LINE AS DESCRIBED IN THE 1849 SURVEY ESTABLISHING ALAMANCE COUNTY.

States that there are issues affecting taxation, school attendance, zoning maps, and elections within and among Alamance County, Orange County and the Town of Mebane arising from the uncertainty of the boundary line between the two counties.

Authorizes the two counties to maintain the current taxing, elections, education and any other recognized government functions in place until July 1,2011. Requires all instruments filed or registered that involve residents and property in the areas affected by the resurvey to be recorded in the county to which the property has been annexed on or after July 1, 2011.

Provides terms and conditions governing the transition of properties along the historic boundary line. Provides details for the transition process of establishing a boundary baseline based on a mutually agreed upon resurvey of the Alamance County and Orange County boundary line by the North Carolina Geodetic Survey (NCGS). Enumerates details of terms and conditions for the transition process related to public records, real and personal property taxes, voter registration, school assignment and attendance, jurisdictional issues regarding legal causes of action, and other matters. Additionally provides for the establishment of an administrative method through which property owners annexed or bisected by the NCGS survey line may petition Alamance and Orange County regarding the assignment of their property to one of the counties. Requires that notice of the petition right be delivered by US mail to the affected property owners no less than 30 days after the effective day of the act.

Requires Alamance County and Orange County to submit a completed survey that includes the NCGS line and all mutually agreed upon modifications to the General Assembly no later than May 15, 2011.

Directs that owners and future owners of property affected by this act be put on notice as to its terms and conditions via a written notice filed in the office of the register of deeds office of the county in which the property has been annexed.

The act becomes effective July 1, 2010.

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