

March 31, 2009

H 950. UNION ANNEXATION AND ETJ REFERENDA. Filed 3/31/09. *TO REQUIRE THAT ANNEXATIONS AND EXTENSION OF EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION IN UNION COUNTY IS SUBJECT TO A REFERENDUM.*

Repeals Part 2 (annexation by cities of less than 5,000) and Part 3 (annexation by cities of 5,000 and more) of Article 4A of GS Chapter 160A and creates new provisions for annexation by petition. Requires a public hearing on annexation and sets notice requirements for the hearing. Requires referendum of qualified voters in area proposed to be annexed and majority support in that referendum prior to adoption of annexation ordinance. Sets process to call for and hold referenda. Makes a conforming change to the title of Part 1 of Article 4A of GS Chapter 160A. Adds same referendum process to adoption of ordinances extending municipal extraterritorial jurisdiction. Applicable only to Union County and municipalities located therein. Applicable to annexations and extensions of jurisdiction made on or after January 1, 2005, unless extension of waterlines required by such annexation was completed by March 1, 2009 (and those annexations are repealed effective June 30, 2010, unless approved by referendum prior to that date).

Intro. by Blackwood.

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