

HOUSE BILL 1044: Beech Mountain Deannexation.

2021-2022 General Assembly

Committee: Senate State and Local Government. If **Date**: June 22, 2022

favorable, re-refer to Finance. If favorable, rerefer to Rules and Operations of the Senate

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OVERVIEW: House Bill 1044 would remove multiple tracts of land from the corporate limits of the Town of Beech Mountain.

CURRENT LAW: Under Section 1 of Article VII of the North Carolina Constitution, the General Assembly is empowered to "provide for the organization and government and the fixing of boundaries of counties, cities and towns, and other governmental subdivisions, and, except as otherwise prohibited by this Constitution, may give such powers and duties to counties, cities and towns, and other governmental subdivisions as it may deem advisable." Pursuant to this Section, the General Assembly enacted Article 4A of Chapter 160A of the General Statutes which governs municipal annexations. In addition, the General Assembly may annex property by local act. However, the General Assembly has not enacted any method for municipalities to deannex property. Only the General Assembly may deannex property.

BILL ANALYSIS: House Bill 1044 would deannex multiple tracts of land from the corporate limits of the Town of Beech Mountain.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This act would become effective June 30, 2022, and would apply to tax years beginning July 1, 2022.

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