

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
SESSION 2025**

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**HOUSE BILL 1068  
Committee Substitute Favorable 6/2/26**

Short Title: King Sat. Annex./Rural Hall Fire Dist.

(Local)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

April 29, 2026

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT TO REMOVE THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATION FROM THE CITY OF  
KING AND TO REMOVE THE TOWN OF RURAL HALL FROM THE FORSYTH  
COUNTY COUNTYWIDE FIRE SERVICE DISTRICT.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** G.S. 160A-58.1(b) reads as rewritten:

"(b) A noncontiguous area proposed for annexation must meet all of the following standards:

...

(5) The area within the proposed satellite corporate limits, when added to the area within all other satellite corporate limits, may not exceed ten percent (10%) of the area within the primary corporate limits of the annexing city.

This subdivision does not apply to the Cities of Archdale, Asheboro, Belmont, Claremont, Concord, Conover, Durham, Elizabeth City, Gastonia, Greenville, Hickory, Kannapolis, King, Kings Mountain, Locust, Lowell, Marion, Mount Airy, Mount Holly, New Bern, Newton, Oxford, Randleman, Roanoke Rapids, Rockingham, Saluda, Sanford, Salisbury, Shelby, Southport, Statesville, and Washington and the Towns of Ahoskie, Angier, Apex, Ayden, Belville, Benson, Bladenboro, Bridgeton, Bunn, Burgaw, Calabash, Carthage, Catawba, China Grove, Clayton, Columbia, Columbus, Cramerton, Creswell, Dallas, Dobson, Four Oaks, Franklin, Franklinton, Franklinville, Fuquay-Varina, Garner, Godwin, Goldston, Granite Quarry, Green Level, Grimesland, Harrisburg, Holly Ridge, Holly Springs, Hookerton, Hope Mills, Huntersville, Jamestown, Kenansville, Kenly, Knightdale, Landis, Laurel Park, Liberty, Lillington, Louisburg, Madison, Maggie Valley, Maiden, Mayodan, Maysville, Middlesex, Midland, Mocksville, Morrisville, Mount Pleasant, Nashville, North Wilkesboro, Norwood, Oak Island, Oakboro, Ocean Isle Beach, Pembroke, Pine Level, Pollocksville, Princeton, Ramseur, Ranlo, Richlands, Rockwell, Rolesville, Rutherfordton, Shallotte, Siler City, Smithfield, Spencer, Spring Lake, Stanley, Stem, Stovall, Surf City, Swansboro, Taylorsville, Troutman, Troy, Vass, Wallace, Warsaw, Watha, Waynesville, Weldon, Wendell, West Jefferson, Wilson's Mills, Windsor, Wingate, Yadkinville, Youngsville, and Zebulon."

**SECTION 2.(a)** The corporate limits of the Town of Rural Hall are hereby removed from the Forsyth County Countywide Fire Service District.



- 1           **SECTION 2.(b)** This section has no effect upon the validity of any liens of Forsyth  
2 County for ad valorem taxes outstanding before the effective date of this section.
- 3           **SECTION 2.(c)** This section becomes effective June 30, 2026. Property in the  
4 territory described in this section as of January 1, 2026, is no longer subject to Forsyth County  
5 Countywide Fire Service District taxes for taxes imposed for taxable years beginning on or after  
6 July 1, 2026.
- 7           **SECTION 3.** Except as otherwise provided, this act is effective when it becomes  
8 law.