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SENATE BILL 907

Short Title: Economic Growth Act. (Local)

Sponsors: Senator Jarvis (Primary Sponsor).

Referred to: Rules and Operations of the Senate

June 1, 2022

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT REQUIRING MUNICIPALITIES IN DAVIDSON COUNTY OBTAIN THE
APPROVAL OF THE DAVIDSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS PRIOR TO
ANNEXING AN AREA OVER WHICH THE BOARD HAS JURISDICTION.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the following shall apply to annexations under Parts 1, 4, and 7 of Article 4A of Chapter 160A of the General Statutes:

- (1) The governing body of a municipality shall, prior to the adoption of an annexation ordinance or the adoption of a resolution of intent, obtain approval of the annexation from the board or boards of county commissioners (board) with jurisdiction over the area.
- (2) The board shall fix a date for a public hearing on the annexation ordinance or resolution of intent. Notice of the hearing shall be published once at least 10 days before the date of hearing. At the hearing, any person residing in or owning property in the area proposed for annexation and any resident of the municipality seeking the annexation may appear and be heard on the question of annexation.
- (3) If the board finds that the public health, safety, and welfare of the inhabitants of the county will be best served by the annexation, the board shall adopt a resolution approving the annexation, and the municipal governing body may proceed with the annexation as authorized by law. If the board finds that the public health, safety, and welfare of the inhabitants of the county will not be best served by the annexation, the board shall adopt a resolution disapproving the annexation and the municipal governing body may not proceed with the adoption of the annexation ordinance or resolution of intent or begin a separate annexation process with respect to that proposed annexation area for at least 36 months from the date of the board's adoption of the resolution disapproving annexation.

SECTION 2. This act applies only to the following: Davidson County and the municipalities wholly or in part in Davidson County.

SECTION 3. This act becomes effective July 1, 2022, and applies to annexations initiated on or after that date.

