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SENATE BILL 1444* Finance Committee Substitute Adopted 6/16/10

Short Title: Kannapolis/Concord Doughnut Hole Annexations. (Local) Sponsors: Referred to: May 27, 2010 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITIES OF CONCORD AND KANNAPOLIS TO ANNEX CERTAIN PROPERTIES CURRENTLY TOTALLY SURROUNDED BY THE CORPORATE LIMITS. The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts: **SECTION 1.** Notwithstanding the provisions of G.S. 160A-48, a municipality to which that section applies may adopt ordinances annexing property completely enclosed on May 1, 2010, by the corporate limits of the municipality, if the ordinance makes a finding that the total acreage being annexed is less than five percent (5%) of the total acreage within the corporate limits of the municipality prior to the annexation and also either: Makes a finding based upon circumstances and evidence satisfactory to the municipality that the annexation is necessary for the orderly growth and development of the municipality; or (2) Makes a finding based upon circumstances and evidence satisfactory to the municipality that the annexation improves the ability to provide public safety services. **SECTION 2.** The municipality shall fix a date for a public hearing on the annexation and publish notice of the public hearing at least 10 days before the day of the hearing. **SECTION 3.** The procedure for recording any annexation under this act is as provided in G.S. 160A-51. **SECTION 4.** Any annexation ordinance adopted under this act shall be adopted before December 31, 2020. **SECTION 5.** This act applies only to the Cities of Concord and Kannapolis.

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SECTION 6. This act is effective when it becomes law.