

1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend and reenact § 15.2-3201 of the Code of Virginia, relating to annexation.*

3 [H 1697]

4 Approved

5 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**6 **1. That § 15.2-3201 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**7 § 15.2-3201. Temporary restrictions on granting of city charters, filing annexation notices, institutions
8 of annexation proceedings and county immunity proceedings.9 Beginning January 1, 1987, and terminating on the first to occur of (i) July 1, ~~2010~~ 2018, or (ii) the
10 July 1 next following the expiration of any biennium, other than the 1998-2000, 2000-2002, 2002-2004,
11 2006-2008, and 2008-2010 bienniums, during which the General Assembly appropriated for distribution
12 to localities for aid in their law-enforcement expenditures pursuant to Article 8 (§ 9.1-165 et seq.) of
13 Chapter 1 of Title 9.1 an amount that is less than the total amount required to be appropriated for such
14 purpose pursuant to subsection A of § 9.1-169, no city shall file against any county an annexation notice
15 with the Commission on Local Government pursuant to § 15.2-2907, and no city shall institute an
16 annexation court action against any county under any provision of this chapter except a city that filed an
17 annexation notice before the Commission on Local Government prior to January 1, 1987. During the
18 same period, with the exception of a charter for a proposed consolidated city, no city charter shall be
19 granted or come into force and no suit or notice shall be filed to secure a city charter. However, the
20 foregoing shall not prohibit the institution of nor require the stay of an annexation proceeding or the
21 filing of an annexation notice for the purpose of implementing an annexation agreement, the extent,
22 terms and conditions of which have been agreed upon by a county and city; nor shall the foregoing
23 prohibit the institution of or require the stay of an annexation proceeding by a city which, prior to
24 January 1, 1987, commenced a proceeding before the Commission on Local Government to review a
25 proposed voluntary settlement pursuant to § 15.2-3400; nor shall the foregoing prohibit the institution of
26 or require the stay of any annexation proceeding commenced pursuant to § 15.2-2907 or § 15.2-3203,
27 except that no such proceeding may be commenced by a city against any county, nor shall any city be a
28 petitioner in any annexation proceeding instituted pursuant to § 15.2-3203.29 Beginning January 1, 1988, and terminating on the first to occur of (i) July 1, ~~2010~~ 2018, or (ii) the
30 July 1 next following the expiration of any biennium, other than the 1998-2000, 2000-2002, 2002-2004,
31 2006-2008, and 2008-2010 bienniums, during which the General Assembly appropriated for distribution
32 to localities for aid in their law-enforcement expenditures pursuant to Article 8 (§ 9.1-165 et seq.) of
33 Chapter 1 of Title 9.1 an amount that is less than the total amount required to be appropriated for such
34 purpose pursuant to subsection A of § 9.1-169, no county shall file a notice or petition pursuant to the
35 provisions of Chapter 29 (§ 15.2-2900 et seq.) or Chapter 33 (§ 15.2-3300 et seq.) requesting total or
36 partial immunity from city-initiated annexation and from the incorporation of new cities within its
37 boundaries. However, the foregoing shall not prohibit the institution of nor require the stay of an
38 immunity proceeding or the filing of an immunity notice for the purpose of implementing an immunity
39 agreement, the extent, terms and conditions of which have been agreed upon by a county and city.

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