

SB 214: Franklin County's Power Grab Over Kerr Lake

A Fact Sheet for Vance, Warren, and Halifax County Residents

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What Is SB 214?

Senate Bill 214, titled "Various Local Provisions VII," is an omnibus local government bill that passed the NC Senate on April 22, 2026. Buried inside it is **Part V: Franklin County Property Acquisitions**, a four-line provision that would strip Vance, Warren, and Halifax Counties of their legal right to approve or deny property acquisitions by Franklin County within their borders.

Source: NC General Assembly, SB 214 Conference Committee Substitute, S214-PCCS35356-BAxr-6, Page 2, Lines 33-37

The Exact Language

"Notwithstanding the provisions of G.S. 153A-15, the County of Franklin may acquire, including by condemnation, real property or an interest in real property located in Halifax, Vance, or Warren County, without the consent or approval of the other county's Board of Commissioners."

Source: SB 214, Section 5 (webservices.ncleg.gov/ViewBillDocument/2025/7810/0/S214-PCCS35356-BAxr-6)

What G.S. 153A-15 Protects

North Carolina General Statute 153A-15 requires any county seeking to acquire or condemn property in another county to first obtain consent from that county's Board of Commissioners. This law exists to protect counties from losing tax base and regulatory authority when outside governments take property within their borders. Part V of SB 214 overrides this protection for Franklin County's benefit.

Source: NC General Statutes, Chapter 153A, Section 15 (ncleg.gov/EnactedLegislation/Statutes/PDF/BySection/Chapter_153A/GS_153A-15.pdf)

How It Passed the Senate

Part V was **not in any version of SB 214 before the conference committee**. The original bill, filed March 3, 2025, dealt only with deannexations in Southport, Yadkinville, and Kannapolis. The Franklin County provision was inserted during conference committee in April 2026, added to a routine bill where it would attract minimal public attention.

Source: SB 214 bill history, ncleg.gov/BillLookUp/2025/S214 (compare original filing to conference substitute)

- **Vote:** 28 Ayes, 21 Noes (Roll Call #502, April 22, 2026, 2:21 PM)
Source: ncleg.gov/Legislation/Votes/RollCallVoteTranscript/2025/S/502
- **Party line:** Every Republican voted Yes. Every Democrat voted No. Zero Democrats voted Yes.
Source: ncleg.gov/Legislation/Votes/RollCallVoteTranscript/2025/S/502
- **Sponsor:** Senator Benton Sawrey (R), District 10, Johnston County. Attorney from Clayton, NC.
Source: ncleg.gov/Members/Biography/s/445
- **Conference Committee:** Sen. Sawrey (Chair), Sen. Dana Jones (R), Rep. Allen Chesser (R, Chair), Rep. Mike Schietzelt (R). These four people wrote Part V.
Source: ncleg.gov/Legislation/Bills/Conferees/2025/S214

Senator Barnes Voted Yes

Senator Lisa S. Barnes (R), District 11, represents both Franklin County and Vance County. She voted Yes on a bill that benefits Franklin County while stripping protections from Vance County, one of the counties she is elected to represent.

Source: Roll Call #502; Barnes district info at ncleg.gov/Members/Biography/s/427

Senator Norman Sanderson (R), District 2, represents both Halifax and Warren Counties. He was the **only Republican to vote No**.

Source: Roll Call #502; Sanderson district info at ncleg.gov/Members/Biography/S/375

Rep. Bryan Cohn Spoke Against It

Representative Bryan Cohn (D), District 32, represents Granville and Vance Counties. He spoke on the floor against SB 214, stating he had been on the phone since 7:14 that morning with colleagues across his district who knew nothing about the provision. His remarks included:

"This bill and this provision is about taking control. It allows one county to assert control over another without those local leaders' consent in those affected communities."

"We often make a big deal in this chamber about protecting the rights of local governments and local elected officials, and this goes right in the face of those positions we have taken in the past."

"Local control belongs with local government and we are overstepping our bounds as a body by voting for this."

"Take the reasoning out of it. This will not stop at Warren, Vance, and Halifax County. This will land in your backyard. We are setting a dangerous precedent by allowing one county to assert control over another."

"If you want to be able to develop infrastructure that affects multiple counties and allows for growth and prosperity across the region, then work together in partnerships. You don't go take it by force."

"This is what this is leading to, the takeover of water infrastructure that is owned by majority and minority communities, and has been for many, many decades."

"Let's rework it and bring it back, but I cannot stand for this bill. It is egregious."

Source: Rep. Bryan Cohn, floor remarks during SB 214 Senate debate, April 22, 2026

Why: Franklin County Wants Kerr Lake Water

Franklin County does not border Kerr Lake. It is not an owner of the Kerr Lake Regional Water System. It currently purchases treated water through the City of Henderson. But Franklin County is pursuing an independent water intake directly from Kerr Lake, requiring a pipeline through Vance County. Part V gives them the power to condemn land for that pipeline even if Vance County says no.

The Facts (from Franklin County's Own Website)

- Franklin County's population is projected to double by 2060; water demand is projected to triple by 2075.
Source: franklincountync.gov/649/Future-Water
- Industrial customers account for 44% of Franklin County's current water demand.
Source: franklincountync.gov/649/Future-Water
- Franklin County is requesting 15.7 million gallons per day (10,200 acre-feet) from Kerr Lake.
Source: franklincountync.gov/649/Future-Water
- A February 2025 engineering study estimated \$78.9 million for a pipeline from Vance to Franklin County.
Source: franklincountync.gov/649/Future-Water
- Franklin County issued an RFQ for a \$200 million public-private water plant and pipeline project (Sept/Oct 2025).
Source: franklincountync.gov/DocumentCenter/View/1401/RFQ---PUBLIC-PRIVATE-PROJECT-TO-FURNISH-THE-SUPPLY-OF-WATER
- Franklin County signed a \$2 million agreement with the Army Corps of Engineers in August 2025 to fund a reallocation study.
Source: franklincountync.gov/649/Future-Water

- Henderson declined Franklin County's repeated requests for additional water supply over a four-year period (2020-2024).

Source: franklincountync.gov/649/Future-Water

- Franklin County's current water contract with Henderson through KLRWS expires in 2038.

Source: franklincountync.gov/649/Future-Water

The Kerr Lake Regional Water System

- KLRWS is owned by the City of Henderson (60%), City of Oxford (20%), and Warren County (20%). Franklin County is not an owner.
Source: henderson.nc.gov/departments/public_utilities/kerr_lake_regional_water_system/index.php
- The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers granted KLRWS a 20 MGD annual average day storage allocation in 2005.
Source: deq.nc.gov/about/divisions/water-resources/water-planning/water-supply-planning/interbasin-transfer-certification/kerr-lake
- The treatment plant is currently being expanded from 10 MGD to 20 MGD at a cost exceeding \$109 million.
Source: henderson.nc.gov/departments/public_utilities/kerr_lake_regional_water_system/klrws_expansion.php
- NC House Bill 74 attempted to redirect \$10 million in state funding already appropriated for the KLRWS expansion to other projects, including \$3 million to Franklin County.
Source: wunc.org/politics/2025-05-07/oxford-nc-funding-water-plant
- If Franklin County leaves the regional system, remaining partners (Henderson, Oxford, Warren) would have to absorb the lost revenue.

Source: warrenrecord.com/news/article_e04c6746-7d5b-4e9f-9eee-ed48725feebd.html (Warren County Manager Crystal Smith)

The Interbasin Transfer Problem

Kerr Lake sits in the Roanoke River Basin. Franklin County sits in the Tar River Basin. Any water moved from Kerr Lake to Franklin County is an interbasin transfer, which requires a separate certificate from the NC Environmental Management Commission under state law. The existing KLRWS interbasin transfer certificate authorizes 14.2 MGD total. Franklin County's additional 15.7 MGD would exceed current limits.

Source: NC DEQ, Kerr Lake IBT

(deq.nc.gov/about/divisions/water-resources/water-planning/water-supply-planning/interbasin-transfer-certification/kerr-lake)

A Better Path Forward: Work Together

Franklin County has a real water challenge. No one disputes that. But the solution should strengthen the region, not divide it. Right now, Franklin County is preparing to spend over \$200 million on a private pipeline and a new water plant, plus \$2 million on a federal Army Corps study. That money flows to private contractors and the U.S. Treasury. It does not benefit Henderson, Vance County, Warren County, or the Kerr Lake Regional Water System.

The Best Option: Invest in the Kerr Lake Regional Water System

The KLRWS has served this region for nearly 50 years. It is the foundation of water infrastructure for Henderson, Oxford, Warren County, Granville County, Franklin County, and dozens of smaller communities. Rather than abandoning this system, Franklin County should be strengthening it. A regional partnership where everyone invests and everyone benefits is the right answer.

Instead of building a separate system that bypasses and financially undermines the existing regional partnership, Franklin County could invest those same dollars into the Kerr Lake Regional Water System and increase its purchase from the City of Henderson. This approach would:

- Strengthen the KLRWS, which is already undergoing a \$109 million expansion from 10 MGD to 20 MGD, rather than creating a competing system that drains revenue from the existing one.
- Keep dollars in the region. Investment into KLRWS benefits Henderson, Oxford, Warren County, and every secondary customer on the system, instead of sending \$2 million to the Army Corps and \$200 million to private developers.

- Eliminate the need for eminent domain. If Franklin County works through the existing system, there is no pipeline to condemn land for and no reason to override G.S. 153A-15.
- Avoid the interbasin transfer problem. Water purchased through KLRWS is already covered by the existing IBT certificate. A new independent intake would require a separate, costly IBT certification process.
- Protect the financial stability of the regional system. Warren County Manager Crystal Smith warned that if Franklin County leaves, the remaining partners would have to absorb the lost revenue.
- Maintain good-faith relationships between neighboring counties instead of using the state legislature to strip local control from Tier 1 rural communities.

Franklin County's \$200 million would go further invested into a system that already exists, already works, and already serves them. The KLRWS expansion from 10 MGD to 20 MGD is already underway. With Franklin County as a committed partner rather than a departing customer, the system could be expanded even further. Every dollar stays in the region. Every community benefits. That is how neighboring counties are supposed to work together.

Another Option: The Tar River Runs Through Franklin County

The Tar River flows directly through Louisburg, Franklin County's county seat. Franklin County sits squarely in the Tar-Pamlico River Basin. There is water in their own backyard.

*Source: NC DEQ, Tar-Pamlico River Basin
(deq.nc.gov/about/divisions/water-resources/water-planning/basin-planning/river-basin-plans/tar-pamlico)*

- Rocky Mount's water system has a rated capacity of 26 MGD but currently uses only about 10 MGD. That leaves roughly 16 MGD of unused capacity, nearly the exact amount Franklin County is requesting (15.7 MGD) from Kerr Lake.

Source: City of Rocky Mount Water Resources Division (cityofrockymount.hosted.civicle.com/departments/water_resources/divisions)

- Purchasing from Rocky Mount would keep Franklin County's water supply entirely within the Tar River Basin, avoiding the interbasin transfer problem altogether. No IBT certificate needed. No Army Corps reallocation study needed.

*Source: NC DEQ IBT regulations
(deq.nc.gov/about/divisions/water-resources/water-planning/water-supply-planning/interbasin-transfer-certification)*

- Commissioner Robert Davie of Warrenton formally proposed this alternative when the Warrenton Board unanimously voted to oppose Franklin County's Kerr Lake request.

Source: warrenrecord.com/news/article_f2a051c9-d32a-4ade-a56a-332be145cd59.html

If the water Franklin County needs is available 30 miles away in its own river basin, with no eminent domain, no interbasin transfer, and no federal study required, why is the state legislature being asked to strip property protections from three neighboring counties so Franklin County can take water from a lake it does not border?

The Resale Concern

Nothing in Part V of SB 214 restricts what Franklin County does with the water or property it acquires. Once Franklin County controls a 15.7 MGD independent intake and its own \$200 million treatment plant built through a public-private partnership, it becomes a wholesale water provider.

- Franklin County already resells water to the Town of Youngsville, the Town of Bunn, and the Lake Royale community. Franklin County acquired the Youngsville water system in 2013.
- Industrial customers already account for 44% of Franklin County's water demand, and that industrial demand is projected to grow 2% annually through 2040.
- Franklin County's population growth is driven by Triangle-area sprawl. New residential and commercial developments are the primary driver of future water demand.
- The counties whose land gets condemned for the pipeline do not see a dime of the revenue Franklin County generates by reselling that water to developers, industries, and municipalities.

- Under this arrangement, Vance, Warren, and Halifax County landowners could have their property taken by eminent domain so that Franklin County can profit from water infrastructure built on their land.

Sources: franklincountync.gov/252/Public-Utilities; franklincountync.gov/649/Future-Water; [Town of Youngsville water system sale \(townofyoungsville.org\)](http://TownofYoungsville.org)

The question is not whether Franklin County deserves water. It does. The question is how. The Kerr Lake Regional Water System exists because counties chose to work together. That partnership has served this region for nearly 50 years. Franklin County should be investing in it, not abandoning it. And the state legislature should not be handing one county the power to condemn land in three others so it can build competing infrastructure it can profit from, while the communities who built and funded the existing system are cut out entirely.

In Fairness: Franklin County Has Real Needs

This is not about denying Franklin County water. Their challenge is real and it is documented. According to Franklin County's own public filings:

- Franklin County made "repeated written and verbal attempts to purchase additional water from the KLRWS through Henderson" over a four-year period. They requested 1.5 MGD, which is the maximum additional water Henderson can provide. Granting that request would have "reduced the available MGD capacity to Henderson's other consumers."

Source: franklincountync.gov/649/Future-Water

- The current regional infrastructure serving Henderson, Vance, and Franklin counties is "capped at 5 million gallons per day" and "will be insufficient to meet the projected demand of Franklin County and the region by 2040."

Source: franklincountync.gov/649/Future-Water

- Even expanding the existing KLRWS pipe at a cost of over \$50 million "will not provide the capacity needed to meet the demand of the region."

Source: franklincountync.gov/649/Future-Water

- Franklin County adopted a Water Allocation Ordinance in 2017 limiting new residential connections to 50,000 gallons per day per year and reserving 250,000 GPD for economic development. They have been managing this crisis responsibly on their end.

Source: franklincountync.gov/649/Future-Water

A Call to Our Own Leaders

If Franklin County has been asking for more water for four years and the answer has been no, then our leaders in Vance County and Henderson need to come to the table too. The City of Henderson controls 60% of the Kerr Lake Regional Water System. That comes with responsibility, not just to Henderson residents, but to every community the system serves, including Franklin County.

We are calling on the Vance County Board of Commissioners, the Henderson City Council, and the KLRWS partners to proactively engage Franklin County in good-faith negotiations for a regional solution. Expand the system. Renegotiate the terms. Find a partnership that works for everyone. Do it before the state legislature does it for you, on terms that benefit no one in this region.

The door should be open. But it should be a door, not a battering ram. SB 214 Part V is a battering ram. The alternative is neighbors sitting down at the same table and solving this together, the way it should have been done from the start.

Who Is Already Opposed

- Henderson Mayor Melissa Elliott: "Franklin County, who contributes nothing to Kerr Lake, wants to stick a straw in it and become its own entity. This is not about collaboration, it's about power and control."
Source: Henderson Dispatch, March 2026 coverage of Army Corps scoping meeting
- Warrenton Board of Commissioners voted unanimously to oppose Franklin County's request (April 15, 2026).
Source: warrenrecord.com/news/article_f2a051c9-d32a-4ade-a56a-332be145cd59.html
- Granville County sent a formal opposition letter to the Army Corps (April 7, 2026), warning the request would "materially impact the financial stability of the Regional System."
Source: warrenrecord.com/news/article_f2a051c9-d32a-4ade-a56a-332be145cd59.html
- Warren County citizens group (John Hyson, Angela Hyson, Deborah Ferruccio) organized a community meeting at Warren County Middle School (April 7, 2026) attended by county officials.
Source: warrenrecord.com/news/article_e04c6746-7d5b-4e9f-9eee-ed48725febd.html
- Commissioner Robert Davie proposed an alternative: Franklin County should buy from Rocky Mount, which has 80 MGD capacity but uses only 20 MGD.
Source: warrenrecord.com/news/article_f2a051c9-d32a-4ade-a56a-332be145cd59.html

Timeline of Key Events

2005

Army Corps grants KLRWS 20 MGD allocation from Kerr Lake.

Source: NC DEQ, Kerr Lake IBT page

2017

Franklin County adopts Water Allocation Ordinance, restricting new connections due to supply concerns.

Source: franklincountync.gov/285/Water-Sewer-Allocation

2020-2024

Franklin County makes repeated requests to Henderson for additional water. Henderson declines.

Source: franklincountync.gov/649/Future-Water

Feb. 2025

Engineering study estimates \$78.9M pipeline cost from Vance to Franklin County.

Source: franklincountync.gov/649/Future-Water

March 3, 2025

SB 214 filed. Original text: deannexations only (Southport, Yadkinville, Kannapolis). No mention of Franklin County.

Source: nclleg.gov/BillLookUp/2025/S214

June 2025

Franklin County submits Letter of Intent to Army Corps for Kerr Lake water reallocation.

Source: franklincountync.gov/649/Future-Water

Aug. 2025

Franklin County signs \$2M agreement with Army Corps to fund reallocation study.

Source: franklincountync.gov/649/Future-Water

Sept.-Oct. 2025

Franklin County issues \$200M RFQ for public-private water plant and pipeline.

Source: franklincountync.gov/DocumentCenter/View/1401

Oct. 20, 2025

SB 214 conference committee appointed: Sawrey, Jones, Chesser, Schietzelt.

Source: nclleg.gov/Legislation/Bills/Conferees/2025/S214

March 26, 2026

Army Corps holds public scoping meeting at Warren County Armory. Residents voice strong opposition.

Source: Henderson Dispatch; Warren Record

April 7, 2026

Granville County sends formal opposition letter. Citizens group meets at Warren County Middle School.

Source: Warren Record

April 15, 2026

Warrenton Board unanimously approves opposition resolution.

Source: warrenrecord.com

April 21, 2026

Conference committee files SB 214 substitute. Part V (Franklin County Property Acquisitions) appears for the first time.

Source: ncleg.gov/BillLookup/2025/S214

April 22, 2026

Senate passes SB 214 conference report 28-21 (party line). Barnes (Vance County senator) votes Yes.

Source: ncleg.gov/Legislation/Votes/RollCallVoteTranscript/2025/S/502

April 28, 2026

SB 214 placed on House calendar. Conference reports cannot be amended. Up-or-down vote only.

Source: ncleg.gov/House/Calendar

April 29, 2026

Governor Stein's Rural Listening Session at VGCC, Henderson. Doors 3:30 PM, public comment 3:45 PM.

Source: [Governor's Office](http://governor.nc.gov); [local announcement](http://local.announcement)

What We Do Next

The House vote could happen as early as April 28. Conference reports **cannot be amended** on the House floor. The House must accept or reject SB 214 as a whole. Individual parts cannot be stripped. If the House passes it, it goes to Governor Stein.

Source: [NC General Assembly Legislative Drafting Manual](http://sites.ncleg.gov/legislativedrafting/conference-committee-reports/) (sites.ncleg.gov/legislativedrafting/conference-committee-reports/)

Republicans hold 71-49 in the House but lost their supermajority by one seat after the 2024 elections. If Governor Stein vetoes, the override requires a three-fifths vote. A veto could hold if House Democrats remain unified.

Source: [WUNC Veto Tracker](http://wunc.org/politics/2025-07-28/veto-tracker-legislature-override-stein-vetoed) (wunc.org/politics/2025-07-28/veto-tracker-legislature-override-stein-vetoed)

Step 1: Call Your Representatives This Week

Every call matters. Legislators track constituent contacts, and this bill passed with many House members knowing nothing about Part V. Make them aware before they vote.

Name	District	Phone
Rep. Bryan Cohn (D)	District 32 (Granville + Vance)	(919) 733-5824
Rep. Matthew Winslow (R)	District 7 (Franklin + part of Vance)	(919) 715-3032
Rep. Rodney Pierce (D)	District 27 (Halifax, Northampton, Warren)	(919) 733-5662
Sen. Lisa Barnes (R)	District 11 (Franklin, Nash, Vance)	(919) 715-3030
Sen. Norman Sanderson (R)	District 2 (Halifax, Warren + others)	(919) 733-5706

"I am a resident of [Vance/Warren/Halifax] County. I am calling to urge you to vote NO on SB 214. Part V of this bill strips our county commissioners of the right to approve or deny property acquisitions by Franklin County within our borders, including condemnation by eminent domain. This provision was inserted during conference committee without public input. Our counties deserve a voice in decisions about our own land."

Step 2: Show Up at VGCC on April 29

Governor Stein's Rural Listening Session is coming to Henderson the day after the House vote is scheduled. Senior administration officials will be in the room to hear directly from rural communities. This is our chance to put SB 214 and the Kerr Lake water issue in front of the Governor's office.

- **Date:** Tuesday, April 29, 2026
- **Location:** Vance-Granville Community College Civic Center, 200 Community College Road, Henderson, NC 27537
- **Doors:** 3:30 PM | **Public Comment:** 3:45 PM

- **Attending:** Dept. of Revenue Secretary McKinley Wooten + Office of State Budget Director Kristin Walker
- **Open to the public.** No RSVP required.

If the House passes SB 214 on April 28, the April 29 session becomes our opportunity to ask Governor Stein to veto it. If the House has not yet voted, it is our opportunity to put pressure on before they do. Either way, showing up matters. Bring your neighbors.

Step 3: Submit Written Comments to the Army Corps (Deadline: April 24)

The Army Corps reallocation study is a separate process from SB 214, and it will continue regardless of what happens with the bill. Written public comments are part of the official federal record. **The extended comment deadline is April 24, 2026. Submit your comments today.**

Email: CESAW-JHKerr-Reallocation-Franklin@usace.army.mil

USACE project page:

saw.usace.army.mil/Locations/District-Lakes-and-Dams/John-H-Kerr-1/JHK-Reallocation-Franklin-County/

Step 4: Share This Document

Forward this fact sheet to your neighbors, your commissioners, your church, your civic organizations. Post it on social media. Print copies for community boards. The more people who know about Part V before the vote, the harder it is to pass quietly.

Questions That Deserve Answers

For the NC General Assembly and Senator Barnes:

- Why was Part V inserted into a conference committee substitute with no public hearing, no committee review, and no opportunity for the affected counties to respond?
- Why did Senator Barnes vote to strip protections from Vance County, one of her own districts?
- Why should Franklin County, which does not border Kerr Lake and is not an owner of KLRWS, be granted eminent domain power over three counties that are?
- Why is Franklin County spending \$200 million on a private pipeline and \$2 million on a federal study instead of investing in the existing regional water system that already serves them?

For Franklin County:

- What industries are driving 44% of your water demand, and will those industries benefit from this pipeline at the expense of Tier 1 rural counties?
- If the Tar River runs through your county seat and Rocky Mount has 16 MGD of unused capacity in your own river basin, why pursue Kerr Lake water from a different basin entirely?
- What restrictions, if any, would be placed on the resale of water acquired through condemned property in neighboring counties?

For Vance County and the City of Henderson:

- Franklin County asked for more water for four years and was told no. What was the plan for accommodating a growing neighboring county within the regional system?
- Henderson controls 60% of KLRWS. What steps has the City taken to expand capacity and renegotiate terms to serve the full region, not just Henderson residents?
- Has the Vance County Board of Commissioners taken a formal position on SB 214 Part V? If not, why not?
- What happens to KLRWS financially if Franklin County stops buying water through Henderson and builds its own system? Has anyone modeled the revenue loss?
- Are Henderson and Vance County prepared to come to the table with Franklin County for a regional partnership, or are we going to wait until the state legislature forces a solution that benefits no one locally?

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