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MEMORANDUM

TO: Chairs, Senate Appropriations Committee on Justice and Public Safety
Chairs, House Appropriations Committee on Justice and Public Safety
Chairs, Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Justice and Public Safety

FROM: Leslie Cooley Dismukes, Secretary *LCD*

RE: Electronic Monitoring/Global Positioning Systems for Sex Offenders

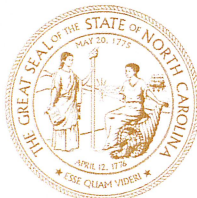
DATE: August 15, 2025

Pursuant to N.C.G.S. 143B-1481(b), the Department of Adult Correction shall report to the Chairs of the House of Representatives and Senate Appropriations Subcommittees on Justice and Public Safety and the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Justice and Public Safety on the following:

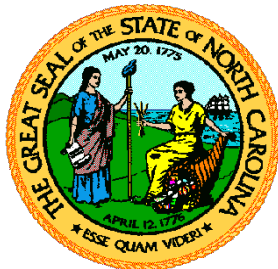
- (1) The number of sex offenders enrolled on active and passive GPS monitoring.
- (2) The caseloads of probation officers assigned to GPS-monitored sex offenders.
- (3) The number of violations.
- (4) The number of absconders.
- (5) The projected number of offenders to be enrolled by the end of the fiscal year.

Report attached.

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**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
DEPARTMENT OF ADULT CORRECTION**

**DIVISION OF COMMUNITY SUPERVISION
LEGISLATIVE REPORT ON
GLOBAL POSITIONING SYSTEMS FOR SEX OFFENDERS**

MARCH 2025

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§ 143B-1481 Report on probation and parole caseloads

(b) The Department of Adult Correction shall report by March 1 of each year to the Chairs of the House of Representatives and Senate Appropriations Subcommittees on Justice and Public Safety and the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Justice and Public Safety on the following:

- (1) The number of sex offenders enrolled on active and passive GPS monitoring.
- (2) The caseloads of probation officers assigned to GPS-monitored sex offenders.
- (3) The number of violations.
- (4) The number of absconders.
- (5) The projected number of offenders to be enrolled by the end of the fiscal year.

Overview of Satellite Monitoring Program

G.S. 14-208.40 requires the Division of Community Supervision and Reentry of the Department of Adult Correction to establish a sex offender monitoring program that uses a continuous satellite-based monitoring system and to create guidelines to govern the program. Offenders subject to monitoring include those under probation, parole, or post-release supervision and certain offenders who have completed their periods of supervision or incarceration but are subject to continued GPS tracking pursuant to statute.

Number of Sex Offenders Enrolled

During FY 2023-24, eleven (11) sex offenders were enrolled in the electronic monitoring program. All eleven (11) were monitored via active GPS.

Caseloads of Probation Officers Assigned to Sex Offenders under GPS Monitoring

Due to the relatively small number of offenders under GPS supervision, Community Supervision utilizes existing resources to aid in the supervision of GPS sex offender cases. Probation officers specializing in the supervision of sex offenders monitor this population, which includes convicted sex offenders who do not have GPS requirements. Factors such as geography, offender needs, admission rates, and officer resources impact decisions concerning local case management practices.

Two (2) probation officers work in the GPS administrative office and oversee GPS monitoring for certain sex offenders who are no longer actively supervised by Community Supervision but continue to be subject to GPS monitoring. As of June 30, 2024, the administrative office was monitoring 487 lifetime sex offenders who met that criterion. In addition to the 487 offenders monitored by the GPS administrative office, there are 343 offenders under supervision for another offense that are monitored by field probation officers. A total of 830 offenders being monitored by satellite-based monitoring.

Number of Violations and Absconders

During FY 2022-23, new enrollees in the electronic monitoring program were cited for five (5) violations. Of the eleven (11) offenders enrolled in the program during the fiscal year, one (9%) was cited for at least one violation.

Exits from GPS during fiscal year 2022-23

Six (6) enrollees exited GPS monitoring during the fiscal year. All six (6) enrollees successfully completed the program and there were no absconders.

Population Projections

As of June 30, 2024, there were 557 offenders enrolled in the electronic monitoring program. All offenders enrolled at the end of the fiscal year were monitored via active GPS.

The table below shows year-end population projections for the GPS program for FY 2024-25 and FY 2025-26.

Projected Population for GPS Supervision

	Projected Population
FY 2023-24	551
FY 2024-25	546

The projections are based on the laws in effect as of June 30, 2024, and do not take into consideration any future legislation affecting GPS supervision.