

MEMORANDUM

TO: Senator Marc Basnight, President Pro Tempore
North Carolina Senate
Representative James B. Black, Speaker of the House
North Carolina House of Representatives
Representative Richard T. Morgan, Speaker of the House
North Carolina House of Representatives
Co-Chairs, Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations

FROM: Tracy A. Little, Deputy Secretary

DATE: May 14, 2007

SUBJECT: Request by the Department of Correction to Establish Federal Receipt Supported Positions

Pursuant to G.S. 143-34.1, the Department of Correction is requesting consultation with the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations to request approval to establish two federal receipt supported positions, requiring a 25% cash match from the NC Department of Correction.

The two time-limited positions will be established by a \$90,704 planning grant and then continued by a two year Governor's Crime Commission Implementation Grant. The positions will be established as Correctional Lieutenants. The Department of Correction (DOC) has been approved to receive this award for planning and limited implementation of the DOC's response to the growing threat of Security Threat Groups, also known as gangs. Security Threat Groups are growing in numbers in the institutional and community offender populations and the Department must plan for an effective means to reduce prison violence and to increase officer and public safety. This project will operate system wide in all 100 North Carolina counties.

One position will be assigned to the Division of Prisons Security Section to gather, disseminate and analyze intelligence on gang members in prisons throughout the state and to coordinate with the Division of Community Corrections as they supervise gang members in the community. The second position will be assigned to the institution housing the Security Threat Management Unit (STGMU) to monitor gang activity and oversee the operation of the STGMU.

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I am requesting that this item be placed on the agenda of the next meeting of the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations. Staff from the Department of Correction will be present to explain this request.

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