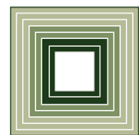


Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on
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Samarkand Training Facility

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Samarkand Training Academy

440-acre site in Moore County

Former Youth Development Center (Closed July 1, 2011)



Samarkand Training Academy

S.L. 2013-360, Section 16A.5 required:

- a) A plan for operating the Samarkand training facility.
- b) An estimate of the impact of the Samarkand facility on the use of other Department training facilities.
- c) An estimate of savings that could be achieved by consolidating training activities and facilities at the renovated Samarkand facility.

Reasons for a Training Facility

Lack of space causes backlogs and delays in training

- Currently, 100 DAC/JJ staff waiting for basic training

Central location will be more cost effective

Site is large enough for future expansion



Reasons for a Training Facility

In CY 2013: 2,087 participants trained in 108 classes

Basic Correctional Officer (160 hours)=84 classes

Basic Probation Officer (216 hours)=10 classes

Basic Juvenile Justice Officer (160 hours)=3 classes

Basic Juvenile Court Counselor (162 hours)=2 classes

General Instructor (80 hours)=2 classes

Firearms Instructor (80 hours)=2 classes

Controls, Restraints, & Defensive Techniques Instructor (80 hours)
=2 classes

Restraints, Controls, & Defensive Techniques Instructor (70 hours)
=4 classes

Legislative Action

S.L. 2013-360 (2013 Appropriations Act)

- Appropriated \$10.4 million from General Fund
- Converted former Samarkand YDC into an Adult Correction/Juvenile Justice Training Facility
- Mandated a report on the plan and operations for the facility

S.L. 2014-100 (2014 Appropriations Act)

- Converted half of the funding to Two-Thirds Bonds