



North Carolina Department of Public Safety

Adult Correction and Juvenile Justice

Pat McCrory, Governor
Frank L. Perry, Secretary

W. David Guice, Commissioner

MEMORANDUM

TO: Chairs of the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Justice and Public Safety
Chairs of Senate Appropriations Committee on Justice and Public Safety
Chairs of House of Representatives Appropriations Subcommittee on Justice and Public Safety

FROM: Frank L. Perry, Secretary
W. David Guice, Commissioner

RE: Reimburse Counties for Housing and Extraordinary Medical Costs for Inmates, Parolees, and Post-Release Supervisees Awaiting Transfer to State Prison System

DATE: February 1, 2016

Pursuant to Section 16C.1 of Session Law 2015- 241, Notwithstanding G.S. 143C-6-9, the Department of Public Safety may use funds available to the Department for the 2015-2017 fiscal biennium to pay the sum of forty dollars (\$40.00) per day as reimbursement to counties for the cost of housing convicted inmates, parolees, and post-release supervisees awaiting transfer to the State prison system, as provided in G.S. 148-29. The Department shall report annually by February 1 of each year to the chairs of the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Justice and Public Safety and the chairs of the House of Representatives and Senate Appropriations Committees on Justice and Public Safety on the expenditure of funds to reimburse counties for prisoners awaiting transfer

For the calendar year 2015, the Department incurred no jail backlog expenditures, which represents the sixth year in which no jail backlog expenditures have been incurred.

The Department continues to implement measures to maintain a reduction in jail backlog. This includes the processing of short term felons at designated diagnostic centers and additional transfer runs from each diagnostic center to assure that offenders who complete processing are transferred in a timely manner.

The Department will continue to consider and utilize all options available in an attempt to maintain the current level of reduction in jail backlog.

If you have any questions about this report, please contact Melissa Earp, 984-255-6002.

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