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Frank L. Perry, Secretary

MEMORANDUM

TO: Chairs of Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Justice and Public Safety
Chairs of House of Representatives Appropriations Subcommittee on Justice and Public Safety
Chairs of Senate Appropriations Committees on Justice and Public Safety
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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: June 25, 2015

Pursuant to Section 16C.2 of Session Law 2013-360, the Department of Public Safety is required to report on expenditure of funds to reimburse counties for prisoners awaiting transfer to the state prison system and on its progress in reducing jail backlog. N.C.G.S. §148-29 authorizes the Department to pay \$40 per day to counties for persons awaiting transfer to the state prison system.

For the third quarter of FY 2014-2015, the Department incurred no jail backlog expenditures, which represents the sixteenth consecutive quarter 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.

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