



Juvenile Jurisdiction Advisory Committee
3010 Hammond Business Place
Raleigh, NC 27603

Friday, October 29, 2021

Members:

Bill D. Davis – Co-Chair, Stella Bailey, J. H. Corpening, II, Beth Freshwater-Smith, Michelle Hall, Lindsey Spain for Andrew Heath, Krista Hiatt, Jennifer Knox, William L. Lassiter, Martin B. McGee, Carol McManus, Robert B. Rader, Mary D. Stansell, Dr. Robert Taylor, Eric Zogry

Attendees:

Catherine Anderson, Tasha Jones Butts, Venecia Carr, Dean Carroll, Duane Cogdell, Justin Davis, Jordan Dropkin, Don Eaton, Jonelle Giulianelli, Burcu Hensley, Erin Hickey, Julia Husk, Adam Johnson, Rachel Johnson, Terri Johnson, Diana Kees, Peter Kuhns, Phillip Maychek, Cindy Porterfield, Russell Price, LaToya Powell, Kimberly Quintus, Tiffany Reymer, Hannah Ridgeway, Rhonda Russell-Smith, Hannah Rowland, Brittany Schott, Theresa Stanley, Demetrius Vick

Call to Order: 10:07 AM

- Bill Davis, Co-Chair, welcome and opening remarks
- Review of minutes from July 16, 2021 full committee meeting. Motion accepted, seconded, all in favor, none abstained, none opposed. Motion passed.

Office of the Juvenile Defender Update

Eric Zogry, State Juvenile Defender

- Introduction of new staff
- Explanation of regionalization and regional representatives

Juvenile Justice Update

William L. Lassiter, Deputy Secretary for Juvenile Justice

- Overview of future plans: Racial equity training, capacity evaluations, public-facing data dashboard for school-based offense, addressing gun violence and gun crimes.
- Review of on-going school safety initiatives, including Back-to-School Safety Summit held in August and the Governor's Task Force on School Safety.
- Discussion of equity projects and goals: Cumberland County and Juvenile Justice partnership on the Breakthrough Series Collaboration.
- Overview of training efforts for S207.
- Minimum age data overview: complaints received and distinct juveniles; intake decisions; and serious offenses.
- Raise the Age implementation update: data overview for youth served, school-based offenses, and detention populations and lengths of stay.
- State juvenile firearms update:
 - Data on offenses received, offense types, offenses by age, firearm-related mortality, children firearm deaths.
 - Educating Kids about Gun Violence programming and curriculum overview.

- HB 24 Firearm Safe Storage Awareness Initiative.
- Data reviews: Community Programs; Raise the Age complaints and distinct juveniles; Raise the Age complaints by class and percentages transferred to Superior Court by class; detention data and projections; transfers to Superior Court and remands; YDC commitments and average daily population; and Adult Corrections prison entries and average daily population.
- Funding requests: capacity evaluations; comprehensive clinical assessments for level 3 youth; community programming for older youth at re-entry; community programming for at-risk/vulnerable juveniles; traffic offense programming- teen court expansion; Perquimans and Richmond detention centers start-up costs; detention beds; Rockingham YDC; Office of the Juvenile Defender, Conference of the District Attorneys, and Administrative Office of the Courts.
- Legislative recommendations: indictment processes for youth; and recodification of *Injuring or tampering with a vehicle*.

S207 Overview

LaToya Powell, Deputy General Counsel for NCDPS

- Key components of legislation:
 - Minimum age of juvenile jurisdiction
 - Extended commitment for 16-and-17-year-olds
 - Issuance of secure custody orders
 - Housing of transfer youth
 - Prosecutorial discretion in transfer decisions
 - Mental health assessments.

Capacity Requirements for Juveniles

J.H. Corpening, II, Chief District Court Judge for District 5

- Update on committee work: history of committee's tasks, engagement with subject-matter experts
- Draft recommendations expected in January
- Overview of current draft language

Motor Vehicle (Chapter 20) Offense Diversion Programming for 16-and-17-year-olds

Cindy Porterfield, Director of Juvenile Community Programs

- Overview of teen court and traffic teen court and availability of programming pre-and-post Raise the Age
- Impact of motor vehicle exclusions from Raise the Age
- Traffic teen court pilot program in 13th district: referral processes, Alive at 25 course content, data overview.
- Summary of studies and research supporting traffic teen court approach, including factors that contribute to delayed driver's licensure.
- Member questions.

New Business – JJAC Members – None

Public Comment – No public comments received

Next Steps & Chairs' Direction

Mr. Bill D. Davis

- Next meeting: January 4, 2022 from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. at 3010 Hammond Business Pl, Raleigh, NC.

- Submit language for inclusion in next committee report to Kimberly.Quintus@ncdps.gov by December 13, 2021.
- The Minimum Age subcommittee will continue to meet.

Moved and seconded to adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 12:15 PM.

Additional Instructions: Any changes to your contact information should be sent to Kimberly.Quintus@ncdps.gov