

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2001**

**SENATE BILL 67
RATIFIED BILL**

AN ACT TO ALLOW THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE CORRECTIONS AND CRIME CONTROL OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE TO STUDY ISSUES RELATED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE JUSTICE AND DELINQUENCY PREVENTION AND TO CHANGE THE NAME OF THAT COMMITTEE ACCORDINGLY, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE CORRECTIONS AND CRIME CONTROL OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 120-70.94 reads as rewritten:

"§ 120-70.94. Purpose and powers of Committee.

(a) The Joint Legislative ~~Corrections and Crime Control~~ Corrections, Crime Control, and Juvenile Justice Oversight Committee shall examine, on a continuing basis, the ~~correctional and law enforcement~~ correctional, law enforcement, and juvenile justice systems in North Carolina, in order to make ongoing recommendations to the General Assembly on ways to improve the ~~correctional and law enforcement~~ those systems and to assist those systems in realizing their objectives of protecting the public and of punishing and rehabilitating offenders. In this examination, the Committee shall:

- (1) Study the budget, programs, and policies of the Departments of ~~Correction and Crime Control and Public Safety,~~ Correction, Crime Control and Public Safety, and Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention to determine ways in which the General Assembly may improve the effectiveness of those Departments;
- (2) Examine the effectiveness of the Department of Correction in implementing the public policy stated in G.S. 148-26 of providing work assignments and employment for inmates as a means of reducing the cost of maintaining the inmate population while enabling inmates to acquire or retain skills and work habits needed to secure honest employment after their release;
- (2a) Examine the effectiveness of the Department of Crime Control and Public Safety in implementing the duties and responsibilities charged to the Department in G.S. 143B-474 and the overall effectiveness and efficiency of law enforcement in the State; ~~and~~
- (2b) Examine the effectiveness of the Department of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention in implementing the duties and responsibilities charged to the Department in Article 12 of Chapter 143B of the General Statutes and the overall effectiveness and efficiency of the juvenile justice system in the State; and
- (3) Study any other matters that the Committee considers necessary.

(b) The Committee may make interim reports to the General Assembly on matters for which it may report to a regular session of the General Assembly. A report to the General Assembly may contain any legislation needed to implement a recommendation of the Committee."

SECTION 2. Except for the section of the General Statutes amended in this act, the Revisor of Statutes shall substitute the term "Joint Legislative Corrections, Crime Control, and Juvenile Justice Oversight Committee" for the term "Joint

Legislative Corrections and Crime Control Oversight Committee" everywhere that term appears in the General Statutes.

SECTION 3. This act becomes effective July 1, 2001.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 24th day of May, 2001.

Beverly E. Perdue
President of the Senate

James B. Black
Speaker of the House of Representatives

Michael F. Easley
Governor

Approved _____ .m. this _____ day of _____, 2001