

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
1983 SESSION

CHAPTER 889  
SENATE BILL 633

AN ACT TO MODIFY THE JUVENILE ADMISSION LAWS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 122-56.7(a) is rewritten to read:

"(a) When, pursuant to G.S. 122-56.5, a minor or person adjudicated non compos mentis is admitted to any treatment facility wherein the person will be subjected to the restrictions on his freedom of movement present in the State regional mental hospitals and treatment facilities described in G.S. 122-7, G.S. 122-58.21 and G.S. 122-98.2, or to restrictions similar thereto, a hearing shall be held in the District Court in the county in which the treatment facility is located within 10 days of the day that the minor or the person adjudicated non compos mentis is admitted to the treatment facility. The Commission for Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services shall promulgate rules and regulations governing procedures for admissions to other treatment facilities as defined by G.S. 122-56.2(b) not falling within the categories of those described in the preceding sentence; these rules and regulations will be designed to insure that no minor is improperly admitted to or remains in such treatment facilities."

Sec. 2. G.S. 122-56.7(b) is amended by adding the following as the first sentence of that subsection:

"In any case requiring the hearing described in subsection (a) of this section, no petition shall be necessary; the written application for voluntary admission shall serve as the initiating document for the hearing."

Sec. 3. This act is effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 20th day of July, 1983.