

§ 153A-217. Definitions.

Unless otherwise clearly required by the context, the words and phrases defined in this section have the meanings indicated when used in this Part:

- (1) "Commission" means the Social Services Commission.
- (2) "Secretary" means the Secretary of Health and Human Services.
- (3) "Department" means the Department of Health and Human Services.
- (4) "Governing body" means the governing body of a county or city or the policy-making body for a district or regional confinement facility.
- (5) "Local confinement facility" includes a county or city jail, a local lockup, a regional or district jail, a juvenile detention facility, a detention facility for adults operated by a local government, and any other facility operated by a local government for confinement of persons awaiting trial or serving sentences except that it shall not include a county satellite jail/work release unit governed by Part 3 of Article 10 of Chapter 153A.
- (6) "Prisoner" includes any person, adult or juvenile, confined or detained in a confinement facility.
- (7) "Unit," "unit of local government," or "local government" means a county or city. (1967, c. 581, s. 2; 1969, c. 981, s. 1; 1973, c. 476, s. 138; c. 822, s. 1; 1987, c. 207, s. 2; 1997-443, s. 11A.118(a); 1998-202, s. 4(cc).)