



# North Carolina Department of Public Safety

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Pat McCrory, Governor

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## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Chairs of Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Justice and Public Safety  
Chairs of House Appropriations Subcommittee on Justice and Public Safety  
Chairs of Senate Appropriations Subcommittees on Justice and Public Safety

**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:** October 9, 2014

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 fourth quarter of FY 2013-2014, the Department incurred no jail backlog expenditures, which represents the thirteenth consecutive quarter in which no jail backlog expenditures have been incurred.

The Department continues to implement measures to maintain a reduction in jail backlog, including the processing of short term felons at designated diagnostic centers and additional transfers runs from each diagnostic center to assure that offender who complete processing are transferred in a timely manner.

These measures will continue to be implemented, and the Department will continue to consider and utilize all options available in an attempt to maintain the current level of reduction in jail backlog.

If you have any questions about this report, please contact Melissa Earp, 919-838-3766.

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