GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2003

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Short Title: Juvenile Commitment to DJJDP. (Public)

Sponsors: Representative Hackney.

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AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE JUSTICE AND DELINQUENCY PREVENTION TO OBTAIN A COURT ORDER BEFORE PLACING A JUVENILE COMMITTED TO A TRAINING SCHOOL IN AN ALTERNATIVE PROGRAM OF THE DEPARTMENT.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 7B-2513(e) reads as rewritten:

"(e) A commitment order accompanied by information requested by the Department shall be forwarded to the Department. The Department shall place the juvenile in the youth development center that would best provide for the juvenile's needs and shall notify the committing court. The Department may assign a juvenile committed for delinquency to any institution or other program of the Department or licensed by the Department, which program is appropriate to the needs of the juvenile. The Department may assign a juvenile committed for delinquency to another program of the Department only if the court, upon motion of the Department, finds that the program is appropriate to the needs of the juvenile and orders the juvenile assigned to that program."

SECTION 2. This act becomes effective October 1, 2003, and applies to dispositions entered on or after that date.