



Juvenile Jurisdiction Advisory Committee

3010 Hammond Business Place

Raleigh, NC 27603

(Meeting held via WebEx)

Friday, April 23, 2021

Members:

Bill D. Davis – Co-Chair, Garry Frank – Co-Chair, Stella Bailey, Betty Budd, Tarrah E. Callahan, Darren E. Campbell, J. H. Corpening, II, Beth Freshwater-Smith, Michelle Hall, Andrew Heath, Krista Hiatt, Jennifer Knox, William L. Lassiter, Jeffrey Ledford, Martin B. McGee, Carol McManus, Robert B. Rader, Mary D. Stansell, Heather Taraska, Dr. Robert Taylor, Eric Zogry

Attendees:

Catherine Anderson, Ryan Boyce, Venecia Carr, Julianna Cherry, Bonnie Clark, Emily Coltrane, Cindy Cottle, Frank Crawford, Hannah Critchfield, Justin Davis, Maxine Evans-Armwood, Nichelle Gaines, Jane Gilchrist, Jacqui Greene, Elizabeth Halstead, Sean Hamel, Amber Hardy, Erin Hickey, Justine Homiak, Adam Johnson, Diana Kees, Peter Kuhns, Sonya L. Harper, Phil Maychek, Connor McCaffrey, Marcia Morey, Cindy Porterfield, LaToya Powell, Kimberly Quintus, Jamie Sales, Liz Schlemmer, Jennifer Short, Jared Simmons, Susan Sitze, Gary Skinner, Angie Smith, Morgan Weiss

Call to Order: 10:00 AM

- Bill Davis, Co-Chair, welcome and opening remarks
- Review of minutes from January 5, 2021 full committee meeting. Motion accepted, seconded, 11 in favor, 1 abstained, none opposed. Motion passed.

Juvenile Justice Update

William L. Lassiter, Deputy Secretary for Juvenile Justice

- Welcome new members
- Brief update of RtA data
 - Overview topics: profile of "Raise the Age" youth, comparison of pre-Covid and during-Covid complaints, detention admissions, lengths of stay, transfer to Superior Court, complaints by race.
- Policy and Research
 - Overview of current research collaboratives.

Legislative Update

Justin Davis, DPS Legislative Affairs

- H 252: JJAC recommendations
- S 207: JJAC recommendations
- H 225: Prosecutorial discretion: A – G felonies for juveniles
- H 261: Raise Delinquent and Undisciplined from 6 – 10.
- H 173: Separate Adult Correction from Juvenile Justice.
- H 183: Juvenile Court Counselor sensitivity training – Agency Bill.
- H 615: Juvenile Mental Health Assessments.

- Budget process.

Indictment Process for Youth Vote

Jacqui Greene, UNC-School of Government

- Overview of Raise the Age changes to benefit new members.
- Review of proposed language for 7B-2200.5 Transfer of jurisdiction of a juvenile at least 16 years of age to superior court. (Indictment Process for Youth)
 - Discussion on proposed language. Discussion about timeframes and related trigger to start the count. Debate about provision (3), the only non-unanimous portion of the proposed language.
- Voice vote taken. 13 in favor of 1st and 2nd sections, 1 opposed to 3rd section. Motion passed.

Minimum Age Presentation Discussion Vote

J. H. Corpening, II, Chief District Court Judge for District 5

- Presentation by J.H. Corpening, overview of subcommittee's work.
- Presentation by Jacqui Greene, UNC School of Government, on a juvenile law bulletin re: legal considerations for capacity and competency for juveniles.
- Presentation by Dr. Cindy Cottle, PhD. on clinical considerations for capacity to proceed to trial for juveniles.
- Moved and seconded for adding minimum age of juvenile jurisdiction language. Voice vote taken. 11 in favor, 1 abstained. Motion passed.

New Business – JJAC Members – None

Public Comment – No public comments received

Next Steps & Chairs' Direction

Honorable Garry Frank & Mr. Bill D. Davis

- Next meeting: July 16, 2021 from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. at 3010 Hammond Business Pl, Raleigh, NC.
- Heather Taraska will schedule a Legislative Revisions and Legal Issues subcommittee meeting prior to the next JJAC
- The Minimum Age subcommittee will continue to meet.

Moved and seconded to adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 12:15 PM.

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