GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA 1993 SESSION

CHAPTER 47 HOUSE BILL 283

AN ACT RECOMMENDED BY THE JUVENILE LAW STUDY COMMISSION TO ESTABLISH A PILOT PROGRAM UNDER THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS REGARDING JUVENILE COURT JURISDICTION OVER JUVENILES BETWEEN SIXTEEN AND EIGHTEEN YEARS OF AGE WHO ARE BEYOND THE DISCIPLINARY CONTROL OF THEIR PARENTS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. There is established a pilot program to be administered by the Administrative Office of the Courts to expand juvenile court jurisdiction in the pilot counties to include as undisciplined juveniles those juveniles at least 16 years of age and under 18 years of age who are beyond the disciplinary control of their parents. The pilot program shall be implemented in Catawba, Bertie, and McDowell Counties. In these counties, for the duration of the pilot, the definition of undisciplined juvenile shall include "a juvenile at least 16 years of age and less than 18 years of age who is beyond the disciplinary control of his parent, guardian, or custodian." The purpose of the pilot program is to determine whether juvenile court jurisdiction should be broadened to include such juveniles on a statewide basis. The Administrative Office of the Courts shall evaluate the pilot and file a report on the pilot with the General Assembly on or before the convening of the 1995 Session. The pilot shall terminate April 1, 1995. The pilot program shall be conducted within existing funds of the Administrative Office of the Courts.

Sec. 2. This act becomes effective October 1, 1993.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 18th day of May, 1993.

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