NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL NOTE

BILL NUMBER: HB 427

SHORT TITLE: Modify Criteria for IMPACT

SPONSOR(S): Representative McComas

FISCAL IMPACT: Expenditures: Increase () Decrease ()
Revenues: Increase () Decrease ()
No Impact (x)
No Estimate Available ()

FUNDS AFFECTED: General Fund (x) Highway Fund () Local Fund () Other Fund ()

BILL SUMMARY: Modifies criteria for offenders that can be sentenced to the IMPACT program (Boot Camps) in the Department of Correction. Proposed changes are to increase eligible age from 16-25 to 16-35 and to eliminate current requirement that eligible offenders must not have served in excess of 120 days of active prison time (if sentenced under the Fair Sentencing Act) or in excess of 30 days if sentenced under the Structured Sentencing Act.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 1995

PRINCIPAL DEPARTMENT(S)/PROGRAM(S) AFFECTED: Department of Correction

FISCAL IMPACT

	FY	FY	FY	FY	FY
EXPENDITURES					
RECURRING					
NON-RECURRING		NO FI	SCAL IMPACT		
REVENUES/RECEIPTS					
RECURRING					
NON-RECURRING					

POSITIONS: None

ASSUMPTIONS AND METHODOLOGY:

HB 427 would expand the number of offenders that would be eligible for sentencing to the IMPACT program. There is no cost to implement this bill based on the following assumptions:

(1) Offenders meeting the criteria in HB 427 would not be required to be sentenced to the IMPACT program, only eligible for sentencing.

(2) The current IMPACT programs are budgeted in the 1995-97 continuation budget to operate at capacity -- 180 beds each at the two

IMPACT boot camps (East and West). On April 1, 1995, IMPACT East was at 70 per cent of capacity while IMPACT West, which is still in the start-up phase, was at 30 per cent of capacity.

SOURCES OF DATA: N.C. Sentencing and Policy Advisory Commission; Department of Correction; Department of Correction Report: "Daily Prison Population Summary"

TECHNICAL CONSIDERATIONS: None

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