GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA 1997 SESSION

S.L. 1997-303 SENATE BILL 378

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE ALAMANCE, CASWELL AND ROCKINGHAM COUNTIES TO CONTRACT FOR THE SUPERVISION OF WORKING PRISONERS BY EMPLOYEES OF ANOTHER UNIT OF STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 162-58 reads as rewritten:

"§ 162-58. Counties may work prisoners.

The board of commissioners of the several counties may enact by resolution all necessary rules and regulations for work on projects to benefit units of State or local government by persons convicted of crimes and imprisoned in the local confinement facilities or satellite jail/work release units of their respective counties. The sheriff shall approve rules and regulations enacted by the board. Prisoners working under this section shall be supervised by county employees or by the sheriff. The board of county commissioners may also contract with units of State or local government to allow State or local government employees to supervise county prisoners. The contract shall set forth the terms and conditions under which employees of units of State and local government will supervise county prisoners. The rules enacted by the board of county commissioners and approved by the sheriff shall specify a procedure for ensuring that county employees or employees of another unit of State or local government supervising prisoners pursuant to this section be provided with notice that the persons placed under their supervision are inmates from a local confinement facility or a satellite jail/work release unit."

Section 2. This act applies only to Alamance, Caswell and Rockingham Counties.

Section 3. This act is effective when it becomes law and expires June 30, 1999.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 16th day of July, 1997.

s/ Dennis A. Wicker President of the Senate

s/ Harold J. Brubaker Speaker of the House of Representatives