

HOUSE BILL 1006: Amend Prison Pilot Deadlines.

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House

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OVERVIEW: House Bill 1006 would modify the deadlines for the Prison Software Management Pilot Program (Prison Pilot Program), as recommended by the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Justice and Public Safety.

CURRENT LAW: Part III of S.L. 2020-90 established the Prison Pilot Program to be implemented at Bertie Correctional Institution and Pasquotank Correctional Institution. The purpose of the Prison Pilot Program is to work with the most qualified technology vendors to do the following:

- Transform the State Prison Management Information Systems with software infrastructure and equipment upgrades
- Deploy a mobile inmate tracking system

The Prison Pilot Program will enable the Department of Public Safety, Division of Adult Correction and Juvenile Justice, to create a new shared database platform to replace the current OPUS System.

Operations for the Prison Pilot Program were required to begin by August 15, 2020. The Department of Public Safety, Division of Adult Correction and Juvenile Justice, was required to provide a final report to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Justice and Public Safety by April 1, 2021.

Part III of S.L. 2020-90 expires on July 1, 2022.

BILL ANALYSIS: House Bill 1006 would make the following changes related to the Prison Pilot Program:

- Extend the deadline for beginning operations to October 15, 2022.
- Extend the deadline for the final report to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Justice and Public Safety to April 15, 2023.
- Extend the expiration of the Prison Pilot Program to July 1, 2023.

EFFECTIVE DATE: The bill would be effective when it becomes law.

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