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Ms. Whittaker,

Please consider this update to the Department of Corrections' report on our progress promulgating rules, pursuant to A.C.A. § 25-15-216(b)(4), as amended by Act 595 of 2021, which sets out the following:

"The executive head of an agency or his or her designee shall provide monthly written updates on the agency's progress in promulgating a rule it determines is required pursuant to its review, including without limitation a rule identified in the report of the Bureau of Legislative Research required under § 25-15-216(b)(3), to the Legislative Council or its appropriate subcommittee until the final version of the new, amended, or repealed rule is filed for adoption with the Secretary of State on or before the required date."

Should there be any questions about any of the identified items in this report, please do not hesitate to reach out to me.

Sincerely,

Lindsay Wallace, J.D. Chief of Staff Department of Corrections



## 93rd GENERAL ASSEMBLY RULES REPORT DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

Act#	Title	Summary	Status Update	New/Amended/ Repealed Rule
55	CONCERNING THE JUDICIAL OR ADMINISTRATIVE TRANSFER OF AN INMATE TO THE DIVISION OF COMMUNITY CORRECTION.	Flips the box on the Sentencing Order, requiring the Court to check the box indicating that the DOC cannot administratively transfer an otherwise eligible offender to the Division of Community Correction. Makes technical corrections.	Governor's office approved; Posted for public comment 12/31/2021; awaiting closure of the public comment period.	New
187	TO ALLOW CONFIDENTIAL JUVENILE RECORDS TO BE RELEASED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS.	Permits DOC divisions access to juvenile risk assessments of those juveniles sentenced under Extended Juvenile Jurisdiction and who come into the DOC's custody or supervision as adults.	Draft Rule being circulated amongst DOC Division Director's for approval; set to go to the Board of Corrections for review and approval at January meeting.	New
Varies	Various statutes creating or modifying criminal offenses.	There were several criminal offenses created or modified by the 93rd General Assembly. These offenses must be ranked by the Sentencing Commission.	Reviewed during December ALC. Final copy sent to the Sec. of State. Rule is final with an effective date of 1/1/2022.	Amended