



NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE
SENATOR MARC BASNIGHT
RALEIGH 27601-2808

January 22, 2010

Mr. Dennis Gaddy
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Dear Mr. Gaddy:

Pursuant to the authority granted to me North Carolina General Statute 120-19.6(a1) and Rule 31 of the Rules of the Senate of the 2009 General Assembly, I am pleased to appoint you to serve on the Joint Select Committee on Ex-Offender Reintegration into Society. Your appointment is effective immediately and will expire February 1, 2011.

I appreciate your willingness to serve in this capacity and am confident that you will continue to contribute much to the Joint Select Committee on Ex-Offender Reintegration into Society.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Marc Basnight".

Marc Basnight

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cc: Honorable Beverly E. Perdue
Honorable Walter Dalton
Honorable Elaine F. Marshall
Honorable Joe Hackney
Janet Pruitt, Senate Principal Clerk
Denise Weeks, House Principal Clerk
George Hall, Legislative Services Officer
Walker Reagan, Director of Research
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President Pro
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North Carolina Senate



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Joint Select Committee on Ex-Offender Reintegration Into Society

Section 1. The Joint Select Committee on Ex-Offender Reintegration Into Society (hereinafter "Committee") is established by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6(a1), Rule 31 of the Rules of the Senate of the 2009 General Assembly, and Rule 26(a) of the Rules of the House of Representatives of the 2009 General Assembly.

Section 2. The Committee consists of 16 members, 8 of whom are appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and 8 of whom are appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives. The President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall each appoint a co-chair from among their respective appointees. A co-chair or other member of the Committee continues to serve until a successor is appointed. A vacancy shall be filled by the officer who made the original appointment. Members serve at the pleasure of the appointing officer.

President Pro Tempore Appointments	Speaker of the House Appointments
Senator Charlie Dannelly, Co-Chair	Representative Bryant Co-Chair
Senator Linda Garrou	Representative Pierce Co-Chair
Senator Fletcher Hartsell	Representative Burr
Senator Ed Jones	Representative Mackey
Senator A.B. Swindell	Representative Guice
Senator John Snow	Representative M. Alexander
Mr. Dennis Gaddy	Representative Frye
Ms. Flo Stein	Representative R. Warren

Section 3. The Committee may study issues related to reintegration into society for people with criminal records, including how North Carolina and other states address barriers facing ex-offenders in accessing jobs, housing, education, training, and services. The Committee may also determine best practices that reduce recidivism. In connection with this study, the Committee may consider:

- (1) How prisoners are prepared in prison for release.
- (2) The process by which prisoners exit prisons so that key supports and services are in place during the initial transition.

- (3) Reentry initiatives that build on key social relationships, such as family, friends, and the faith community.
- (4) Reentry initiatives that improve access to other community based support and services.
- (5) Risk factors of returning offenders, including history of substance of abuse, mental illness, chronic disease, lack of education, high unemployment, and homelessness.
- (6) Accuracy and regulation of criminal record checks.
- (7) Systemic and legal barriers to employment, housing, education, training, and services.
- (8) Systems for measuring the effectiveness of reforms to reduce recidivism, such as increased attachment to the workforce and earnings, increased family attachment, and savings to the State from incarceration cost avoidance.

Section 4. The Committee shall meet upon the call of its House and Senate co-chairs. A quorum of the Committee is a majority of its members. No action may be taken except by a majority vote at a meeting at which a quorum is present.

Section 5. The Committee, while in the discharge of its official duties, may exercise all powers provided for under G.S. 120-19 and Article 5A of Chapter 120 of the General Statutes. The Committee may contract for professional, clerical, or consultant services, as provided by G.S. 120-32.02.

Section 6. Members of the Committee shall receive per diem, subsistence, and travel allowance as provided in G.S. 120-3.1, 138-5 and 138-6, as appropriate.

Section 7. The expenses of the Committee shall be considered expenses incurred for the joint operation of the General Assembly. Individual expenses of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) or less, including per diem, travel, and subsistence expenses of members of the Committee, and clerical expenses shall be paid upon the authorization of a co-chair of the Committee. Individual expenses in excess of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) shall be paid upon the written approval of the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives. All expenses of the Committee shall be paid from the Legislative Services Commission's Reserve for Studies.

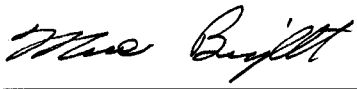
Section 8. The Legislative Services Officer shall assign professional and clerical staff to assist the Committee in its work. The Director of Legislative Assistants of the House of Representatives and the Director of Legislative Assistants of the Senate shall assign clerical support staff to the Committee.

Section 9. The Committee may meet at various locations around the State in order to promote greater public participation in its deliberations.

Section 10. The Committee may submit an interim report on the results of its study, including any proposed legislation, to the members of the Senate and the House of

Representatives, on or before May 1, 2010, by filing a copy of the report with the Office of the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, the Office of the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the Legislative Library. The Committee shall submit a final report on the results of its study, including any proposed legislation, to the members of the Senate and the House of Representatives, on or before February 1, 2011, by filing a copy of the report with the Office of the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, the Office of the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the Legislative Library. The Committee shall terminate on February 1, 2011, or upon the filing of its final report, whichever occurs first.

Effective this the 22nd Day of January, 2010.



Marc Basnight
President Pro Tempore of the Senate



Joe Hackney
Speaker of the House of Representatives