

HOUSE BILL 376: CJIN Changes.

2019-2020 General Assembly

Committee: House Judiciary. If favorable, re-refer to Rules, **Date:** March 27, 2019

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OVERVIEW: House Bill 376 would grant the Criminal Justice Information Network (CJIN) Board administrative control over transportation and subsistence matters established in the Board's budget; grant the Board control over personnel matters involving Board employees; and authorize the North Carolina Department of Information Technology (NC DIT) to provide technical support to the Board upon request.

CURRENT LAW: The CJIN Board is established within NC DIT and is responsible for providing governmental and technical systems infrastructure for the sharing of criminal justice and juvenile information among law enforcement, judicial, and correctional agencies. The Chief Information Officer (CIO) of NC DIT is responsible for supervising and supporting operational functions of the Board; however, the Board shall exercise all of its statutory authority independent of the CIO. NC DIT shall include within its budget information technology cost and anticipated expenditures of the Board. G.S. 143B-1322; G.S. 143B-1391.

CJIN staff members are authorized to provide the Board with professional and clerical assistance and any additional support the Board needs to fulfill its mandate. G.S. 143B-1394.

BILL ANALYSIS:

Section 1 of House Bill 376 would authorize the *Board* to do the following:

- Exercise administrative control over the transportation and subsistence budget established by the Board and appropriated by the General Assembly.
- Establish qualifications, classification, and salary levels for Board employees.
- Determine methods for screening, interviewing, hiring and managing Board employees.

Section 2 of House Bill 376 would authorize NC DIT to provide technical assistance to the Board at the Board's request.

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

