



This Bill Analysis reflects the contents of the bill as it was presented in committee.

HOUSE BILL 41: Allison's Law/GPS Tracking Pilot/DV/Funds.

2019-2020 General Assembly

Committee:	House Judiciary. If favorable, re-refer to Appropriations, Justice and Public Safety. If favorable, re-refer to Operations of the House	Date:	April 29, 2019
Introduced by:	Reps. Lambeth, Conrad	Prepared by:	Tawanda N. Foster Committee Co-Counsel
Analysis of:	PCS to First Edition H41-CSTV-21		

OVERVIEW: The PCS to House Bill 41 establishes a pilot program allowing the use of a global positioning system (GPS) tracking device on a person who has committed acts of domestic violence as a condition of pre-trial release.

BILL ANALYSIS: The PCS to House Bill 41 creates a pilot program to allow the use of a GPS tracking device on a person who has committed acts of domestic violence as a condition of pre-trial release.

Section 1 provides the following:

- The N.C. Department of Public Safety (DPS) will consult with local law enforcement agencies, the courts, the North Carolina Coalition Against Domestic Violence, and other local entities to conduct this pilot program.
- The pilot program is limited to Forsyth County.
- The offender subject to the monitoring may be responsible for paying the costs associated with use of the device.
- DPS and all entities involved will consider the following:
 - The type of offender who will be subject to monitoring.
 - How offender monitoring will be staffed.
 - Costs associated with the monitoring.
 - The type of GPS tracking device to be used.
 - The type of GPS monitoring to be used.
 - Any other systems for monitoring offenders currently in use in this State.
 - Whether other states have implemented similar systems and the means of that implementation, and the costs of implementation.
 - Any other legal issues, information, or practices deemed relevant.

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Section 2 requires DPS to report to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Justice and Public Safety on the effectiveness of the pilot program by April 1, 2022. The report will include any recommendations regarding the continuation, expansion, or elimination of the pilot program and the costs associated with implementing the program or any recommended legislation.

Section 3 makes funding for the PCS contingent upon the appropriation of funds in the budget bill.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This act becomes effective July 1, 2019.