



2025-2026 General Assembly

HOUSE BILL 47:

Disaster Recovery Act of 2025 - Part I, Sec. 5.3:

Allow Use of Inmates to Clean up Debris on Public Roads and Roadsides

Analysis of: S.L. 2025-2, Sec. 5.3

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Section 5.3 of S.L. 2025-2 (House Bill 47) does the following:

- Directs the Department of Adult Correction to work with the Department of Transportation to allow inmates to clean up debris from Hurricane Helene found on public roads and roadsides in the affected areas.
- Modifies the provisions guiding the Statewide Misdemeanant Confinement Program litter cleanup pilot program to allow for the cleanup of debris from disasters declared by the President of the United States or by the Governor.

This section of the act became effective March 19, 2025. The provision pertaining to the Statewide Misdemeanant Confinement Program applies to debris removal resulting from disaster declarations made before, on, or after that date.

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