

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY****Title:** Report on Gang Prevention and Intervention**Type of Executive Summary:**

- Action       Action on First Reading       Discussion       Information

**Policy Implications:**

- Constitution \_\_\_\_\_  
 General Statute # S1358  
 SBE Policy # \_\_\_\_\_  
 SBE Policy Amendment  
 SBE Policy (New)  
 APA # \_\_\_\_\_  
 APA Amendment  
 APA (New)  
 Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Presenter(s):** Dr. Rebecca Garland (Chief Academic Officer/Associate State Superintendent, Academic Services and Instructional Services) and Ms. Marguerite Peebles (Section Chief, Support Services)

**Description:**

The Department of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (DJJDP), along with the Department of Public Instruction (DPI), were charged with the responsibility of addressing Senate Bill 1358:  
 AN ACT TO ADOPT A STRATEGIC APPROACH TO PREVENT YOUTH INVOLVEMENT IN STREET GANG ACTIVITY, AND TO BE ENTITLED THE "NORTH CAROLINA STREET GANG PREVENTION AND INTERVENTION ACT."

SECTION 5 requires the Department of Public Instruction and the Department of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention to report to the Joint Legislative Corrections, Crime and Control, and Juvenile Justice Oversight Committee and the Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee by December 1, 2008, on:

- 1) The prevalence of school violence and gang activity;
- 2) The use of Department of Juvenile Crime Prevention Council programs for out-of-school suspension alternative learning programs for students who are identified as being associated with gangs;
- 3) Current programs that are designed to educate school personnel and parents on signs that a student may be involved or associated with a gang;
- 4) Effective practices for reducing school violence and gang activity that have been successfully implemented in other states; and
- 5) Any findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, for further implementation and coordination between the Department of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention and the Department of Public Instruction to address issues related to prevention and intervention of youth gang activity.

**Resources:**

National, state and local gang prevention research, survey of the Safe and Drug-Free Schools Coordinators and Alternative Learning School contacts, the Annual Report on School Crime and Violence (ARSV) data, and school violence research from out-of-state programs

**Input Process:**

The Juvenile Justice and Delinquency and Prevention Department and the Department of Public Instruction, Support Services Section staff provided input for this report.

**Stakeholders:**

Students, schools, parents, community groups, law enforcement and others

**Timeline For Action:**

This item is presented for Action to the State Board of Education.

**Recommendations:**

It is recommended that the State Board accept the report.

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Audiovisual equipment requested for the presentation:

Data Projector/Video (Videotape/DVD and/or Computer Data, Internet, Presentations-PowerPoint preferred)

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Audio Requirements (computer or other, except for PA system which is provided)

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Document Camera (for transparencies or paper documents – white paper preferred)

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Motion By: \_\_\_\_\_

Seconded By: \_\_\_\_\_

Vote: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Abstain \_\_\_\_\_

Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Disapproved \_\_\_\_\_

Postponed \_\_\_\_\_ Revised \_\_\_\_\_

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