exceed the business standard mileage rate set by the Internal Revenue Service. The duty station for any judge of the Court of Appeals whose permanent residence is at least 30 miles from the City of Raleigh and outside of Wake County at the time the judge takes office as a judge of the Court of Appeals shall be the county seat of the county in which that judge's permanent residence is located at the time of election or appointment to the office of judge of the Court of Appeals for the purpose of determining eligibility for mileage reimbursement. If a judge who has previously qualified for mileage reimbursement under this subsection relocates the judge's permanent residence outside of the county of residence used in determining that judge's eligibility under this subsection, that judge shall not be eligible for reimbursement for mileage and the judge's duty station shall be Wake County."

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GRANTS FOR NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS PROVIDING SERVICES TO VICTIMS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING

SECTION 16.20A.(a) Of the funds appropriated in this act from the State Fiscal Recovery Fund to the Human Trafficking Commission (Commission), the sum of three million two hundred sixty thousand dollars (\$3,260,000) in nonrecurring funds for the 2021-2022 fiscal year shall be used to award and administer grants to organizations that provide direct services to victims of human trafficking. The Commission shall develop the grant program and, in consultation with the North Carolina Council for Women and Youth Involvement, establish program guidelines. The following criteria shall apply to the grant program:

- (1) Each applicant shall submit a detailed proposal of its human trafficking service program as provided in subsection (b) of this section.
- (2) The Commission shall establish matching requirements for grants, as it deems appropriate, and shall accept in-kind matching in lieu of cash matching.
- (3) The Commission shall allocate grant funds in each fiscal year of the 2021-2023 fiscal biennium.
- (4) The Commission shall post the program guidelines on its website and distribute them directly to the eligible nonprofit organizations.
- (5) Grant recipients shall comply with all reporting requirements in G.S. 143C-6-23 and the contract between the recipient and the Commission.
- (6) Only the following nonprofit organizations are eligible to participate in the grant program:
 - a. A Fresh Start CLT Inc
 - b. SAFE Place Inc.
 - c. AbolitionNC
 - d. Beloved Haven, Inc.
 - e. Christian Recovery Centers, Inc. (Brunswick Christian Recovery Center)
 - f. Changing Destinies Ministry
 - g. CrossRoads: Sexual Assault Response & Resource Center, Inc.
 - h. Wayne Pregnancy Care Center, Inc. (Cry Freedom Missions)
 - i. Five 14 Revolution, Inc.
 - j. Haven House, Inc.
 - k. Help, Incorporated: Center Against Violence
- l. Ministry Seven (Hendersonville Rescue Mission)
 - m. Hyde County Hotline, Inc.
 - n. JusticeMatters, Inc.
 - o. LILY PAD HAVEN, INC.
 - p. On Eagles Wings
 - q. THE OUTER BANKS HOTLINE, INCORPORATED
- r. Randolph County Family Crisis Center, Inc.

- s. Resources, Education, Assistance, Counseling and Housing of Macon County, Inc. (REACH of Macon and Jackson)
- t. The Salvation Army (Salvation Army Project Fight)
- u. Onslow County Partnership for Children, Inc. (The One Place Child Advocacy Center)
- v. Triad Ladder of Hope
- w. World Relief Corporation of National Association of Evangelicals (World Relief Triad)

SECTION 16.20A.(b) Each grantee shall submit to the Commission a detailed proposal of its human trafficking service program which shall, at a minimum, include all of the following:

- (1) A description of the geographic area the organization serves and the needs of victims of human trafficking in that area.
- (2) A plan to address the needs of victims, including the goals and objectives of each proposed initiative.
- (3) The time line for implementing each proposed initiative to achieve the desired objective and the names of any partners with whom the organization will be working and the role of those partners in the proposed initiative.
- (4) A list of the specific services each proposed initiative will deliver, which may include case management, client safety, client well-being, and other services, including health, transportation, housing, education, and employment assistance.
- (5) The anticipated planning and administrative costs for each proposed initiative, sorted by type, including staffing, fixed costs, contracts, and information technology.
- (6) A description of the organization's capacity to implement its plan to address the needs of victims, including the organization's staffing level, systems, partnerships, existing funding, and existing programs.
- (7) A description of the applicant's plans and capability to continue each proposed initiative beyond June 30, 2023, if the applicant plans to do so.
- (8) Any additional information deemed appropriate by the Commission.

SECTION 16.20A.(c) The Commission shall review each proposal submitted and, if it determines it meets the requirements of subsection (b) of this section, shall enter into a contract with the grantees to provide the human trafficking services. If the Commission determines a proposal does not contain all of the information required by subsection (b) of this section, the Commission shall notify the grantee of the deficiency, which shall be corrected before any funds for the 2021-2022 fiscal year are disbursed. Funds allocated for the 2021-2022 fiscal year shall be disbursed to each grantee in a lump sum only after the grantee has submitted a complete detailed proposal. Funds allocated for the 2022-2023 fiscal year shall be disbursed by the Commission to the grantees on a quarterly basis so long as the grantees have submitted the detailed proposal required by subsection (b) of this section in the 2021-2022 fiscal year. The Commission shall post on its website the detailed proposal required by subsection (b) of this section and the report required by subsection (d) of this section.

SECTION 16.20A.(d) On or before March 1 and September 1 of 2022 and 2023, each grantee shall submit a report to the Commission that includes all of the following:

- (1) Progress on the development and implementation of each of its program initiatives.
- (2) Progress on meeting goals and objectives for each program initiative.
- (3) The number of human trafficking victims assisted through each program initiative.

- 1 (4) A description and explanation of any delays in implementation of program 2 initiatives.
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 - (5) A description and explanation of any changes in the proposal submitted pursuant to subsection (b) of this section.
 - (6) Planning and administrative costs to date for each program initiative, sorted by type, including staffing, fixed costs, contracts, and information technology.
 - (7) Any additional information required by the Commission.

SECTION 16.20A.(e) On or before March 1 and September 1 of 2022 and 2023, the Commission shall submit a report on the grant program established pursuant to this section to the Senate Appropriations Committee on Justice and Public Safety, the House of Representatives Appropriations Committee on Justice and Public Safety, the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Justice and Public Safety, and the Fiscal Research Division that contains all of the following:

- (1) The number of applications received.
- (2) The number of grants awarded.
- (3) The names and locations of the grant recipients.
- (4) The amount of each grant awarded.
- (5) A description of the human trafficking program initiatives that were funded by the grant awarded, including the geographic area in which services were provided.
- (6) The total number of victims of human trafficking that were served, to date, by each grant recipient.

SECTION 16.20A.(f) The Commission may use up to two hundred twenty thousand dollars (\$220,000) of the funds appropriated in this section to administer the grant programs for victims of human trafficking described in this section and in Section 16.20B of this act in the 2021-2023 fiscal biennium.

GRANTS TO DEVELOP, STRENGTHEN, OR EXPAND HUMAN TRAFFICKING VICTIM SERVICE PROGRAMS

SECTION 16.20B.(a) Of the funds appropriated in this act from the State Fiscal Recovery Fund to the Administrative Office of the Courts, Human Trafficking Commission (Commission), the sum of one million one hundred forty thousand dollars (\$1,140,000) in nonrecurring funds for the 2021-2022 fiscal year shall be used to develop, strengthen, or expand human trafficking victim service programs. These funds shall be allocated each fiscal year of the 2021-2023 fiscal biennium as follows:

- (1) Two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000) to Compassion to Act Incorporated, a nonprofit corporation.
- (2) Three hundred twenty thousand dollars (\$320,000) to the North Carolina Institute Against Human Trafficking.

SECTION 16.20B.(b) Each grantee shall submit to the Commission a detailed proposal of its human trafficking service program which shall, at a minimum, include all of the following:

- (1) A description of the geographic area the organization serves and the needs of victims of human trafficking in that area.
- (2) A plan to address the needs of victims, including the goals and objectives of each proposed initiative.
- (3) The time line for implementing each proposed initiative to achieve the desired objective and the names of any partners with whom the organization will be working and the role of those partners in the proposed initiative.
- (4) A list of the specific services each proposed initiative will deliver, which may include case management, client safety, client well-being, and other services,

including health, transportation, housing, education, and employment assistance.

- (5) The anticipated planning and administrative costs for each proposed initiative, sorted by type, including staffing, fixed costs, contracts, and information technology.
- (6) A description of the organization's capacity to implement its plan to address the needs of victims, including the organization's staffing level, systems, partnerships, existing funding, and existing programs.

(7) A description of the applicant's plans and capability to continue each proposed initiative beyond June 30, 2023, if the applicant plans to do so.

(8) Any additional information deemed appropriate by the Commission.

SECTION 16.20B.(c) The Commission shall review each proposal submitted and, if it determines it meets the requirements of subsection (b) of this section, shall enter into a contract with the grantees to provide the human trafficking services. If the Commission determines a proposal does not contain all of the information required by subsection (b) of this section, the Commission shall notify the grantee of the deficiency, which shall be corrected before any funds for the 2021-2022 fiscal year are disbursed. Funds allocated for the 2021-2022 fiscal year shall be disbursed to each grantee in a lump sum only after the grantee has submitted a complete detailed proposal. Funds allocated for the 2022-2023 fiscal year shall be disbursed by the Commission to the grantees on a quarterly basis so long as the grantees have submitted the detailed proposal required by subsection (b) of this section in the 2021-2022 fiscal year. The Commission shall post on its website the detailed proposal required by subsection (b) of this section. Grant recipients shall comply with all reporting requirements in G.S. 143C-6-23 and the contract between the recipient and the Commission.

SECTION 16.20B.(d) On or before March 1 and September 1 of 2022 and 2023, each grantee shall submit a report to the Commission that includes all of the following:

(1) Progress on the development and implementation of each of its program initiatives.

(2) Progress on meeting goals and objectives for each program initiative.

(3) The number of human trafficking victims assisted through each program initiative.

(4) A description and explanation of any delays in implementation of program initiatives.

(5) A description and explanation of any changes in the proposal submitted pursuant to subsection (b) of this section.

 (6) Planning and administrative costs to date for each program initiative, sorted by type, including staffing, fixed costs, contracts, and information technology.

(7) Any additional information required by the Commission.

 SECTION 16.20B.(e) On or before March 1 and September 1 of 2022 and 2023, the Commission shall submit a report on the grants awarded pursuant to subsection (a) of this section to the Senate and House Appropriations Committees on Justice and Public Safety, the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Justice and Public Safety, and the Fiscal Research Division that contains all of the following:

- (1) The number of applications received.

 (2) The number of grants awarded.

(3) The names and locations of the grant recipients.(4) The amount of each grant awarded.

 (5) A description of the human trafficking program initiatives that were funded by each grant awarded, including the geographic area in which services were provided.

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The total number of victims of human trafficking that were served, to date, by each grant recipient.

COMPETITIVE GRANTS FOR NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS PROVIDING SERVICES TO VICTIMS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING

SECTION 16.21.(a) Of the funds appropriated in this act from the State Fiscal Recovery Fund to the Administrative Office of the Courts, Human Trafficking Commission (Commission), the sum of four million four hundred thousand dollars (\$4,400,000) in nonrecurring funds for the 2021-2022 fiscal year shall be used to develop and implement a grant program to provide funds to eligible organizations for economic assistance and to enhance services to victims of human trafficking. The Commission may use up to three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000) of the funds appropriated in this section in each fiscal year of the 2021-2023 fiscal biennium to establish three time-limited positions to administer the grant program.

SECTION 16.21.(b) The following criteria shall apply to the grant program:

- Grant applicants shall satisfy all of the following: (1)
 - Be a nonprofit corporation. a.
 - Provide direct services to victims of human trafficking, which may b. include case management, client safety, client well-being, and other services, including health, transportation, housing, education, and employment assistance.
 - Demonstrate an economic loss resulting from the COVID-19 c. pandemic.
 - Be ineligible for a grant under the provisions of G.S. 50B-9 and d. G.S. 143B-394.21.
- (2) The Commission shall coordinate outreach efforts with the North Carolina Council for Women and Youth Involvement (Council), State agencies, and local partners to make information regarding the grant funds available to eligible organizations within two weeks after this section becomes law.
- The amount of the grant shall not exceed the organization's economic loss (3) resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic.
- The Commission shall, upon receipt of all applications by the deadline set (4) under grant program deadlines, expeditiously award and disburse grant funds.
- Grant recipients shall comply with all reporting requirements in (5) G.S. 143C-6-23 and the contract between the recipient and the Commission.

SECTION 16.21.(c) If all funds appropriated as provided in subsection (a) of this section are not disbursed in the first round of grants, the Commission shall award a second round of grants to eligible organizations for the purpose of developing, strengthening, or expanding human trafficking victim service programs to help mitigate the increased risk of human trafficking as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. The following criteria shall apply to the second round of the grant program:

- (1) Grant applicants shall satisfy all of the following:
 - Be a nonprofit corporation. a.
 - Provide direct services to victims of human trafficking, which may b. include case management, client safety, client well-being, and other services, including health, transportation, housing, education, and employment assistance.
 - Be ineligible for a grant under the provisions of G.S. 50B-9 and c. G.S. 143B-394.21.
 - Submit a detailed proposal of its human trafficking service program d. which shall, at a minimum, include all of the following:

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(6) The Commission shall post on its website the detailed proposal required by sub-subdivision d. of subdivision (1) of this subsection and the report required by subdivision (4) of this subsection.

SECTION 16.21.(d) Within 60 days of disbursing grants in the first round and the second round, if applicable, the Commission shall submit a report on the grants awarded to the Senate Appropriations Committee on Justice and Public Safety, the House of Representatives Appropriations Committee on Justice and Public Safety, the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Justice and Public Safety, and the Fiscal Research Division that contains all of the following:

- (1) The number of applications received.
- (2) The number of grants awarded.(3) The names and locations of the grant recipients.
- (4) The amount of each grant awarded.

 (5) A description of the human trafficking program initiatives that were funded by each grant awarded under subsection (c) of this section, including the geographic area in which services were provided.

 (6) The total number of victims of human trafficking that were served, to date, by each recipient receiving a grant under subsection (c) of this section.

FACILITY IMPROVEMENT GRANTS FOR ORGANIZATIONS THAT PROVIDE SERVICES TO VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND SEXUAL ASSAULT

SECTION 16.22.(a) Of the funds appropriated in this act to the Administrative Office of the Courts, Human Trafficking Commission (hereinafter "Commission"), for the 2022-2023 fiscal year, the sum of four million eight hundred thousand dollars (\$4,800,000) in nonrecurring funds shall be used to establish a grant program to provide funds to qualifying domestic violence and sexual assault agencies for the purpose of making one-time facility upgrades or undertaking construction projects. The following criteria shall apply to the grant program:

Only organizations that qualify for existing domestic violence or sexual assault grant programs pursuant to G.S. 50B-9 and G.S. 143B-394.21, respectively, are eligible.

 (2) The maximum amount of each grant shall be forty-five thousand dollars (\$45,000). Additional grant funds shall be made available during a second round of applications based on availability of funds. The maximum amount of second-round grants shall be determined by the Commission. The provisions of this section shall apply if a second round of grants is administered.

(3) The Commission shall establish matching requirements for grants, as it deems appropriate, and may accept in-kind matching in lieu of cash matching.
 (4) The Commission shall establish policies and procedures for the distribution of

grants awarded pursuant to this section.

SECTION 16.22.(b) The Commission shall submit a written report on the administration of the grants authorized by subsection (a) of this section to the Senate and House Appropriations Committees on Justice and Public Safety, Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Justice and Public Safety, and the Fiscal Research Division within 60 days after the grants

have been made. The report shall contain all of the following:

(1) The names of the grant recipients, the number of grants awarded, the average amount of each grant awarded, and the range of the amounts of the grants.

(2) A description of the facility upgrades and construction projects that were funded by the grants.

ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE FUNDS FOR ORGANIZATIONS THAT PROVIDE SERVICES TO VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND SEXUAL ASSAULT

SECTION 16.23. Of the funds appropriated in this act from the State Fiscal Recovery Fund to the Administrative Office of the Courts, Human Trafficking Commission (Commission), the sum of fifteen million dollars (\$15,000,000) in nonrecurring funds for the 2021-2022 fiscal year shall be used to reduce the negative economic impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on organizations that provide domestic violence and sexual assault services across the State. The Commission shall allocate the funds as follows:

- (1) Seven million five hundred thousand dollars (\$7,500,000) to domestic violence organizations across the State eligible to receive grants pursuant to G.S. 50B-9(b). Eligible grant recipients shall receive an equal amount as provided in G.S. 50B-9(b).
- (2) Seven million five hundred thousand dollars (\$7,500,000) to sexual assault programs and organizations across the State eligible to receive grants pursuant to G.S. 143B-394.21. Eligible grant recipients shall receive an amount based on the formula provided in G.S. 143B-394.21.

PART XVII. INDIGENT DEFENSE SERVICES

DEBT SETOFF MODIFICATION

SECTION 17.3.(a) Notwithstanding the time limitations applicable to notice by a State agency pursuant to G.S. 105A-8, for notices to a debtor a State agency failed to timely send between March of 2020 and February of 2021 for reasons beyond the control of the Office of Indigent Defense Services, including the inability to obtain the information necessary to send the notice, the Office may send notice to the debtor within 30 days of the date this section becomes law; provided, the notice and rights afforded to the debtor otherwise complies with the requirements of G.S. 105A-8.

SECTION 17.3.(b) This section is effective when this act becomes law.

NEW PUBLIC DEFENDER DISTRICT 27B

SECTION 17.4.(a) G.S. 7A-498.7(a) reads as rewritten:

"(a) The following counties of the State are organized into the defender districts listed below, and in each of those defender districts an office of public defender is established:

| 34 | Defender District | Counties |
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| 35 | 1 | Camden, Chowan, Currituck, |
| 36 | | Dare, Gates, Pasquotank, |
| 37 | | Perquimans |
| 38 | 3A | Pitt |
| 39 | 3B | Craven, Pamlico, Carteret |
| 40 | 5 | New Hanover |
| 41 | 10 | Wake |
| 42 | 12 | Cumberland |
| 43 | 14 | Durham |
| 44 | 15B | Orange, Chatham |
| 45 | 16A | Scotland, Hoke |
| 46 | 16B | Robeson |
| 47 | 18 | Guilford |
| 48 | 21 | Forsyth |
| 49 | 26 | Mecklenburg |
| 50 | 27A | Gaston |
| 51 | <u>27B</u> | Cleveland, Lincoln |