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### **OFFICE OF STATE CONTROLLER ANNOUNCES CRIMINAL JUSTICE DATA INTEGRATION PILOT PROJECT READY FOR INTERNAL TESTING**

**RALEIGH** – State Controller David McCoy announced today the criminal justice data integration pilot project is ready to undergo internal testing by some of the agencies that will eventually use the system. The pilot is integrating data found within the state’s various criminal justice applications and will provide up-to-date criminal information in a centralized location via a secure connection for use by state and local government criminal justice professionals. The pilot, referred to as CJLEADS (Criminal Justice Law Enforcement Automated Data Services), will establish the framework for the statewide integration of criminal justice data.

“CJLEADS will be another tool for criminal justice professionals to use in making quicker and more effective decisions,” said McCoy. “Information about an offender’s involvement in the criminal justice system is now maintained in a number of databases located in many different agencies. To get a comprehensive view of an offender, criminal justice professionals currently must check multiple sources. CJLEADS, when fully implemented, will allow law enforcement, magistrates, prosecutors, judges and other criminal justice professionals to make better informed decisions more quickly since the information will be in one place.”

CJLEADS has two primary objectives. First it will provide a comprehensive criminal history of an offender through a single application in an easy to use format. This will help law enforcement officers, magistrates, prosecutors, judges and other criminal justice professionals who rely on the information in making decisions that impact public safety. Second, CJLEADS will provide an “offender watch” capability to alert criminal justice professionals when an offender has a change in status within the criminal justice system so that they may take appropriate action.

Initially, CJLEADS will provide integrated court, warrant, incarceration and probation information. During the next few months, OSC and its partners will conduct a series of tests on CJLEADS to include: validation of the integration of data, system and role-based security, application objectives, business rules, and ease of use. When CJLEADS has met the acceptance test criteria defined by the internal state project team, the pilot will be made available to a select set of Wake County users for testing in normal work situations.

While CJLEADS is being tested, additional data such as juvenile court, sex offender, concealed handgun permits, local jail booking, wildlife, DMV, federal and other states’ information will continue to be designed and developed for incorporation into the pilot.

Session Law 2008-107, H.B. 2436 recognized the need for state-of-the-art integrated criminal justice information and directed the Office of the State Controller, among others, to develop and implement a statewide criminal justice data integration pilot program for Wake County. Project team members from numerous agencies have been engaged for months in project development activities with SAS Institute, Inc., the vendor selected to design, build and implement the pilot.

**Partners with OSC in the CJLEADS pilot project include:**

Administrative Office of the Courts  
Criminal Justice Advisory Committee  
Criminal Justice Information Network (CJIN)  
Department of Crime Control and Public Safety  
Department of Correction  
Department of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention  
Department of Justice  
Department of Transportation/Division of Motor Vehicles  
Duke University  
Governor's Crime Commission  
NC Office of Information Technology Services  
State Bureau of Investigation  
Wake County Courts  
Wake County Sheriff's Office

For more information about CJLEADS, visit [www.osc.nc.gov/cjleads/cjleads.html](http://www.osc.nc.gov/cjleads/cjleads.html). Also included with this press release are screen shots to show how the system works as well as frequently asked questions about CJLEADS.

**MEDIA NOTE: OSC will offer demonstrations of CJLEADS on Tuesday, May 5, when project testing begins. The testing will take place at the OSC offices on Bush Street in Raleigh. Media that would like a demonstration on May 5 are asked to contact Sherri Johnson at 919.981.5547.**

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