

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2007**

**HOUSE BILL 2771
RATIFIED BILL**

AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT THE SHERIFF OF MARTIN COUNTY AND THE SHERIFF'S LAWFUL DEPUTIES HAVE JURISDICTION TO SERVE CIVIL AND CRIMINAL PROCESS ON INMATES WHO ARE IN THE CUSTODY OF AND ON PREMISES OF THE BERTIE-MARTIN REGIONAL JAIL.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 162-14 reads as rewritten:

"§ 162-14. Duty to execute process.

(a) Every sheriff, by himself or his lawful deputies, shall execute and make due return of all writs and other process to him legally issued and directed, within his county or upon any river, bay or creek adjoining thereto, or in any other place where he may lawfully execute the same.

(b) Notwithstanding any other law, the Sheriff of Martin County and the Sheriff's lawful deputies in addition to the jurisdiction provided by subsection (a) of this section, shall also have jurisdiction to execute process as provided by subsection (a) of this section on an inmate who is in the custody of and on the premises of the Bertie-Martin Regional Jail which is located in Bertie County."

SECTION 2. This act applies only to Bertie and Martin Counties.

SECTION 3. This act is effective when it becomes law.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 10th day of July, 2008.

Beverly E. Perdue
President of the Senate

Joe Hackney
Speaker of the House of Representatives