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MEMORANDUM

TO: Commission Members

FROM: Cliff Lippard *Cliff*
Executive Director

DATE: 12 December 2019

SUBJECT: Public Chapter 827, Acts of 2018 (Global Positioning System Monitoring) —
Panel

Public Chapter 827, Acts of 2018, directs the Commission to conduct a study of the effects and implementation of Global Positioning System (GPS) monitoring as a condition of release for defendants accused of stalking, sexual assault, domestic abuse, and violations of orders of protection. The draft report, attached, has been updated in response to questions and concerns expressed by the Commission during the September meeting. The revisions, highlighted in the report, include updated results from the Memphis pilot program evaluation, updates about the electronic monitoring indigency fund, and additional information about types of monitoring technology. The recommendations in the draft report remain the same except for the addition of "Local governments that choose to implement GPS monitoring programs should work with partner agencies to clarify roles and expectations and develop and commit to procedures and policies."

Today the Commission will hear from a panel of experts with knowledge of pretrial GPS monitoring and domestic violence:

- Leo Carson, Vice President Strategic Sales, Sentinel Offender Services, LLC
- Don Crowe, Deputy Chief, Memphis Police Department
- Patrick Frogge, Executive Director, Tennessee District Public Defenders Conference
- Kathy Walsh, Executive Director, Tennessee Coalition to End Domestic and Sexual Violence