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Senator calls for smart justice solutions to prison crisis

CJCJ supports the Senator Steinberg's proposal to reduce prison overcrowding safely

This week, California Pro Tempore Senator Darrell Steinberg [proposed a 3-year plan](#) to safely reduce California's prison population to within federally-mandated levels. The plan includes fiscal incentives to implement local rehabilitative programming and the formation of a Public Safety Committee to initiate urgently needed sentencing reform.

Meanwhile, Governor Brown proposed to increase prison spending by \$315 million in additional private prison and jail beds, thereby regurgitating past mistakes and providing no long-term solutions. [Read CJCJ's opposition letter >>](#)

These two proposals are being considered by the legislature now. Take action today:

[Add your name to the Sac Bee Ad organized by Californians United for a Responsible Budget >>](#)

Call your local [Assemblymember](#) and [Senator](#) to let them know what you think!

The drug policy conference you should attend

Following Eric Holder's speech this year, the International Drug Policy Reform Conference provides forum for "new approach."

Attorney General Eric Holder [described](#) our criminal justice system as a system that

over incarcerates and has high rates of disproportionate minority contact. In the words of Eric Holder, “It’s time – in fact, it’s well past time – to address persistent needs and unwarranted disparities by considering a fundamentally new approach.”

This year the International Drug Policy Reform Conference will be held in Denver, Colorado on October 23-26, 2013. The conference brings together more than 1,000 experts in the field to discuss alternatives to the war on drugs.

[Don't miss out on early bird registration, ending on September 6, 2013! >>](#)

Helping sheriffs manage their jail populations

Why justice administrators should stop responding to federal immigration detainer requests.

In a series of publications this month, CJCJ investigated the ill-effects of federal immigration detainer programs on local public safety capacity in California. Through a series of reports and fact sheets analyzing federal detainer requests from October 2009 to February 2013, CJCJ found:

- Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) requests holds for thousands of suspected undocumented immigrants every year.
- These requests put pressure on local jail capacity and public safety resources.
- Responding to these requests is not mandatory and are incompatible with current public safety priorities.

[Read the research and more >>](#)

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