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## NCSL: Online Resources

#### Sentencing and Corrections

Web Resources

- Sentencing and Corrections Homepage
- Justice Reinvestment State Resources Map (adult and juvenile)
- State Sentencing and Corrections Enactment Database

## <u>Reports</u>

- Making Sense of Sentencing: State Systems and Policies
- Trends in Sentencing and Corrections: State Legislation
- Managing Corrections Costs
- Principles of Effective Sentencing and Corrections Policy

### **Controlled Substances**

#### Web Resources

- State Drug Crime Policy Homepage
- Good Samaritan Laws (Overdose Immunity) and Naloxone Access
- Pretrial Diversion: Diversion Programs and Drug Courts
- Synthetic Drugs: Cannabinoids and Cathinones
- Marijuana Overview

## Pretrial Release / Bail

#### Web Resources

- Pretrial Release Homepage
- Pretrial Policy Law Database
  - o Search by State
  - o Search by Enactment
  - o Search by Policy
    - Citation in Lieu of Arrest
    - Pretrial Release Eligibility
    - Guidance for Setting Release Conditions
    - Pretrial Release Conditions
    - Pretrial Detention
    - Bail Bond Agent Licensure
    - Bail Bond Agent Business Practices
    - Bail Forfeiture Procedures
    - Recovery Agents
    - Victims' Rights and Protections
    - Pretrial Diversion

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Pretrial Quarterly Newsletter

# <u>Reports</u>

- Trends in Pretrial Release: State Legislation
  - o 2015 Pretrial Update
- Providing Pretrial Services

# Juvenile Justice:

# Web Resources

- Juvenile Justice Homepage
- Juvenile Justice Legislation Database
- Justice Reinvestment State Resources (adult and juvenile)
- Juvenile Justice Quarterly Newsletter

# **Reports**

- Juvenile Detention Reform
- Juvenile Justice Guidebook
- Trends in Juvenile Justice State legislation: 2001-2011
- Trends in Juvenile Justice State Legislation: 2011-2015
- LegisBrief: Raising the Age of Juvenile Court Jurisdictions

# The Pew Charitable Trusts: Online Resources

# Sentencing and Corrections

# Web Resources

- State Policy Assistance
- States Sentencing Reforms summary and chart

# **Reports**

- The Effects of Changing State Theft Penalties
- Victims' Voices for Reform
- Policy Framework to Strengthen Community Supervision
- Max Out: The Rise in Prison Inmates Released Without Supervision
- Public Opinion on Sentencing and Corrections Policy in America
- Time Served: The High Cost of Longer Prison Terms
- State of Recidivism: The Revolving Door of America's Prisons
- One in 31: The Long Reach of American Corrections
- One in 100: Behind Bars in America 2008
- Examining Electronic Monitoring Technologies
- The Punishment Rate

# Juvenile Justice

# Web Resources

- Juvenile Justice Policy Assistance
- Research Collection

# <u>Reports</u>

- Re-Examining Juvenile Incarceration
- Public Opinion on Juvenile Justice in America

## Additional Organizations and Online Resources

<u>Right on Crime</u> is a project of the Texas Public Policy Foundation that raises awareness of effective criminal justice reforms within the conservative movement. Review the project's <u>Statement of Principles</u>.

The <u>Council of State Governments Justice Center</u> provides practical, nonpartisan advice and consensus-driven strategies to increase public safety and strengthen communities. Current projects include:

- The <u>Justice Reinvestment Initiative</u> provides technical assistance to states to implement justice reinvestment strategies and produce publications on the work being done in those states.
- The <u>National Reentry Resource Center</u> provides education, training and technical assistance on prison reentry under the Second Chance Act of 2007.

The John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation's <u>Safety and Justice Challenge</u> provides support jurisdictions across the country seeking to build more just and effective local justice systems that improve public safety, save taxpayer money, and yield more fair outcomes.

The <u>Laura and John Arnold Foundation</u> seek to promote lasting, systemic change at the front end of the criminal justice system. The Foundation is committed to pursuing research and developing tools to ensure the system is effective in protecting the public, minimizing crime, making wise use of public resources, and administering justice fairly and efficiently. The Foundation has published results of <u>four pretrial studies</u>.

Public Welfare Foundation's <u>Criminal Justice program</u> seeks to establish more effective and fairer criminal justice policies and institutions throughout the nation.

<u>Urban Institute's Justice Policy Center</u> conducts research and evaluations to improve justice policy and practice at the national, state, and local levels. Among other projects, Urban conducts <u>data analysis</u> of states involved with justice reinvestment.

<u>The Vera Institute of Justice's Center on Sentencing and Corrections</u> works with government leaders to advance safe, fair and effective criminal justice policies.

- The <u>Cost-Benefit Analysis Unit</u> performs cost-benefit analyses and other cost-related studies, provides assistance to jurisdictions conducting their own studies and carries out research to advance the knowledge of cost-benefit analysis, including the <u>Cost-Benefit Knowledge Bank</u>.
- <u>Technical assistance</u> is provided under the Justice Reinvestment Initiative.

Resources from the <u>Bureau of Justice Statistics</u> in the <u>Office of Justice Programs</u> of the <u>U.S. Department of</u> <u>Justice</u> include criminal justice statistics related to crime, criminal offenders, victims of crime, and the operation of justice systems.

• Current work includes the <u>Prisoner Recidivism Analysis Tool</u> that allows users to explore the recidivism patterns of those involved with the criminal justice system.

<u>Results First</u> is an initiative of <u>The Pew Charitable Trusts</u> and the <u>John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur</u> <u>Foundation</u>, with additional support from the <u>Annie E. Casey Foundation</u>, to help states assess the costs and benefits of policy options, and use that data to make decisions based on results.

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