## **MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA**

Name of Organization:

Advisory Commission on the Administration of Justice (NRS

176.0123)

Date and Time of Meeting:

Monday, September 22, 2008

9:00 a.m.

Place of Meeting:

Legislative Building

Room 4100

401 South Carson Street Carson City, Nevada

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## **AGENDA**

## [Items on this agenda may be taken in a different order than listed]

- I. Opening Remarks by the Chair
- \*II Approval of the Minutes of the Meetings of the Advisory Commission held on August 18, 2008 and August 25, 2008
- \*III. Discussion and Approval of Letter to Legislative Counsel Bureau Reporting on the Activities to Date of the Advisory Commission on the Administration of Justice Including Recommendations and Bill Draft Requests
- \*IV. Presentation by Dr. James Austin, Council of State Governments, Concerning Monthly Prison Population, Parole and Probation Tracking Tools
- \*V. Discussion and Consideration of Recommendations and Bill Draft Requests Relating to the Division of Parole and Probation, Including, Without Limitation, Modifications to the Presentence Investigation Report, Early Assessment of Defendants in the Criminal Justice System, the Use of Technological Monitoring, the Use of Intermediate Sanctions, the Process of Revocations and Technical Violations and the Process for Collecting Restitution
- \*VI. Discussion and Consideration of Recommendations and Bill Draft Requests Concerning the Nevada Department of Corrections, Including, Without Limitation:
  - A. Creating a System of Re-Entry for Inmates Who Expire Their Terms or Are Placed on Parole
  - B. Modifying the "Relief Factor" for Nevada Department of Corrections Staff from 1.6 to 1.85
  - C. Amending NRS 178A.660 Concerning Placement Authority by the Nevada Department of Corrections
  - D. Adopting a Staff to Inmate Ratio
  - E. Modifying the Base Budget System
  - F. Amending NRS 284.4062 to Allow for Termination of the First Offense for Those Correctional Officers Found to Be Under the Influence of Drugs or Alcohol While On Duty and Provide Authority to Nevada Department of Corrections for Random Drug Testing of Staff After Initial Hiring
  - G. Allowing Investigators to be Classified As Category II Peace Officers
  - H. Expanding Boot Camp Eligibility, Facilities and Funding
  - I. Clarifying NRS 213.1213 Concerning the Calculation of Parole Eligibility Dates

- \*VII. Presentation by Howard Skolnik and Lori Bagwell, Nevada Department of Corrections, Concerning the Department of Corrections' Budget, Including, Without Limitation, A Review of:
  - A. Prison and Camp Capacity and Occupancy
  - B. Prison and Camp Staffing, Relief and Overtime
  - C. 2008/2009 Budget and Budget Cuts Made to Date
  - D. History and Current and Proposed Use of Casa Grande, Jean and the Nevada State Prison
  - E. Medical Care Capabilities
  - F. Early Release and Re-Entry Programs
  - G. Various Programs Including Educational, Addiction and Mental Health Programs
  - H. Future Capitol Improvement Recommendations
- \*VIII. Discussion and Consideration of Recommendations and Bill Draft Requests Concerning Modifications to Sentencing Statutes as Proposed by the Clark County and Washoe County Public Defenders Offices Including, Without Limitation, Proposals Relating to Amendments to the Burglary Statutes, Habitual Criminal Statutes and Policies Concerning Photo Identification and Preservation of Biological Evidence
  - \*IX. Discussion and Consideration of Recommendations and Bill Draft Requests Concerning a Statewide Policy for the Retention of DNA and Other Biological Evidence
  - \*X Presentation by the Nevada Department of Corrections and Dr. James Austin Concerning a Recommendation by the Advisory Commission that Time Credits on Category A and B Felonies on the Maximum Side Return to What Those Credits Were Before A.B. 510 was Approved
  - \*XI. Report on Activities of Subcommittees Appointed by the Advisory Commission:
    - A. Steering Committee
      - -Report by Justice James W. Hardesty
    - B. Subcommittee to Consider Issues Related to a Study of "Truth in Sentencing" -Report by Justice James W. Hardesty and Dr. James Austin
    - C. Subcommittee to Consider Issues Related to the Juvenile Justice System -Report by Senator Steven Horsford
    - D. Subcommittee to Consider Issues Related to Victims, including the Rights of Victims, Relevant Statistics and Sources of Funding for Victims of Crime in Nevada
      - -Report by Attorney General Catherine Cortez Masto
    - E. Subcommittee to Study Mandatory Drug Sentencing Statutes and Substantial

**Assistance Statute** 

- -Report by Judge Douglas Herndon
- F. Subcommittee to Study Data Collection
  - -Report by Justice James W. Hardesty, Assemblyman David Parks and Assistant Sheriff Raymond Flynn
- G. Subcommittee to Consider Alternatives to Incarceration and Intermediate Sanctions
  - -Report by Justice James W. Hardesty
- XII. Public Comment
- \*XIII. Discussion of Additional Topics for Future Meetings and Report Preparation
- XIV. Adjournment
- \*Denotes items on which the committee may take action.

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