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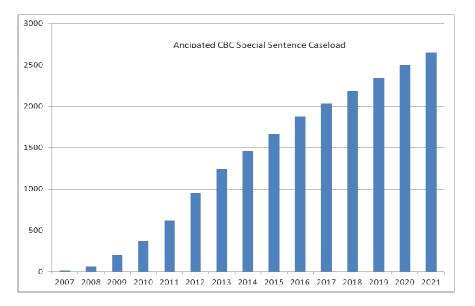




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CJJP Forecasts Increase in Special Sentence Sex Offenders Caseloads

The Iowa Sex Offender Research Council recently released a report to the Iowa General Assembly focusing on sex offender registration and the special sentence for sex offenders. Regarding the latter, the Council (staffed by the state's Division of Criminal & Juvenile Justice Planning) projected a steady increase in community-based corrections' special sentence caseloads from 619 offenders in 2011 to 2,651 offenders in 2021:



In its analysis, CJJP reports that "the current policy of set terms of post-sentence parole is not supported by research, is not the most effective use of limited resources, and does not contribute to increased public safety."

Further, CJJP recommends the following:

- A minimum number of years on post-sentence parole;
- a required review of each offender's progress and risk every X number of years; and
- that an extension of parole past the review date would require proof of risk of sexual or violent re-offense.

This report can be found at: http://www.state.ia.us/government/dhr/cjjp/recpub.html

Advance Successful Offender Reentry to Protect the Public, the Employees, and the Offenders from Victimization.