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To reduce recidivism and increase public safety, and for other purposes.

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Mr. CORNYN (for himself, Mr. Whitehouse, and Mr. Lee) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

To reduce recidivism and increase public safety, and for other purposes.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.
- 4 (a) Short Title.—This Act may be cited as the
- 5 "Corrections Oversight, Recidivism Reduction, and Elimi-
- 6 nating Costs for Taxpayers In Our National System Act
- 7 of 2017" or the "CORRECTIONS Act".
- 8 (b) Table of Contents for
- 9 this Act is as follows:
 - Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.

- Sec. 101. Recidivism reduction programming and productive activities.
- Sec. 102. Post-sentencing risk and needs assessment system.
- Sec. 103. Prerelease custody.
- Sec. 104. Reports.
- Sec. 105. Additional tools to promote recovery and prevent drug and alcohol abuse and dependence.
- Sec. 106. Promoting successful reentry.
- Sec. 107. Parole for juveniles.
- Sec. 108. Compassionate release initiative.

TITLE II—BUREAU OF PRISONS SECURE FIREARMS STORAGE

- Sec. 201. Short title.
- Sec. 202. Findings.
- Sec. 203. Secure firearms storage.

TITLE III—NATIONAL CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMISSION

- Sec. 301. Short title.
- Sec. 302. Findings.
- Sec. 303. Establishment of commission.
- Sec. 304. Purpose of the commission.
- Sec. 305. Review, recommendations, and report.
- Sec. 306. Membership.
- Sec. 307. Administration.
- Sec. 308. Authorization for use of funds.
- Sec. 309. Sunset.

1 TITLE I—CORRECTIONS ACT

- 2 SEC. 101. RECIDIVISM REDUCTION PROGRAMMING AND
- 3 PRODUCTIVE ACTIVITIES.
- 4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after the
- 5 date of enactment of this Act, the Attorney General
- 6 shall—
- 7 (1) conduct a review of recidivism reduction
- 8 programming and productive activities, including
- 9 prison jobs, offered in correctional institutions, in-
- 10 cluding programming and activities offered in State
- 11 correctional institutions, which shall include a review
- of research on the effectiveness of such programs;

- 1 (2) conduct a survey to identify products, in2 cluding products purchased by Federal agencies,
 3 that are currently manufactured overseas and could
 4 be manufactured by prisoners participating in a
 5 prison work program without reducing job opportu6 nities for other workers in the United States; and
 - (3) submit to the Committee on the Judiciary and the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate and the Committee on the Judiciary and the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives a strategic plan for the expansion of recidivism reduction programming and productive activities, including prison jobs, in Bureau of Prisons facilities required by section 3621(h)(1) of title 18, United States Code, as added by subsection (b).
- 16 (b) AMENDMENT.—Section 3621 of title 18, United 17 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:
- 19 "(h) RECIDIVISM REDUCTION PROGRAMMING AND 20 PRODUCTIVE ACTIVITIES.—
- 21 "(1) IN GENERAL.—The Director of the Bureau 22 of Prisons, shall, subject to the availability of appro-23 priations, make available to all eligible prisoners ap-24 propriate recidivism reduction programming or pro-

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ductive activities, including prison jobs, in accordance with paragraph (2).

"(2) Expansion Period.—

"(A) IN GENERAL.—In carrying out this subsection, the Director of the Bureau of Prisons shall, not later than 5 years after the date of enactment of this subsection, ensure appropriate recidivism reduction programming and productive activities, including prison jobs, are available for all eligible prisoners.

"(B) CERTIFICATION.—

"(i) In General.—The National Institute of Corrections shall evaluate all recidivism reduction programming or productive activities that are made available to eligible prisoners and determine whether such programming or activities may be certified as evidence-based and effective at reducing or mitigating offender risk and recidivism.

"(ii) Considerations.—In determining whether or not to issue a certification under clause (i), the National Institute of Corrections shall consult with internal or external program evaluation experts,

including the Office of Management and
Budget and the Comptroller General of the
United States to identify appropriate evaluation methodologies for each type of program offered, and may use analyses of
similar programs conducted in other correctional settings.

"(3) RECIDIVISM REDUCTION PARTNERSHIPS.—
Not later than 18 months after the date of enactment of this subsection, the Attorney General shall issue regulations requiring the official in charge of each correctional facility to ensure, subject to the availability of appropriations, that appropriate recidivism reduction programming and productive activities, including prison jobs, are available for all eligible prisoners within the time period specified in paragraph (2), by entering into partnerships with the following:

"(A) Nonprofit and other private organizations, including faith-based and communitybased organizations, that provide recidivism reduction programming, on a paid or volunteer basis.

1	"(B) Educational institutions that will de-
2	liver academic classes in Bureau of Prisons fa-
3	cilities, on a paid or volunteer basis.
4	"(C) Nonprofit or other private organiza-
5	tions, including faith-based and community-
6	based organizations, that will—
7	"(i) deliver occupational and voca-
8	tional training and certifications in Bureau
9	of Prisons facilities;
10	"(ii) provide equipment to facilitate
11	occupational and vocational training or em-
12	ployment opportunities for prisoners;
13	"(iii) employ prisoners; or
14	"(iv) assist prisoners in prerelease
15	custody or supervised release in finding
16	employment.
17	"(D) Industry-sponsored organizations
18	that deliver workforce development and training
19	that lead to recognized certification and employ-
20	ment.
21	"(4) Assignments.—In assigning prisoners to
22	recidivism reduction programming and productive
23	activities, the Director of the Bureau of Prisons
24	shall use the Post-Sentencing Risk and Needs As-

1	sessment System described in section 3621A and
2	shall ensure that—
3	"(A) to the extent practicable, prisoners
4	are separated from prisoners of other risk clas-
5	sifications in accordance with best practices for
6	effective recidivism reduction;
7	"(B) a prisoner who has been classified as
8	low risk and without need for recidivism reduc-
9	tion programming shall participate in and suc-
10	cessfully complete productive activities, includ-
11	ing prison jobs, in order to maintain a low-risk
12	classification;
13	"(C) a prisoner who has successfully com-
14	pleted all recidivism reduction programming to
15	which the prisoner was assigned shall partici-
16	pate in productive activities, including a prison
17	job; and
18	"(D) to the extent practicable, each eligible
19	prisoner shall participate in and successfully
20	complete recidivism reduction programming or
21	productive activities, including prison jobs
22	throughout the entire term of incarceration of
23	the prisoner.
24	"(5) Mentoring services.—Any person who
25	provided mentoring services to a prisoner while the

prisoner was in a penal or correctional facility of the Bureau of Prisons shall be permitted to continue such services after the prisoner has been transferred into prerelease custody, unless the person in charge of the penal or correctional facility of the Bureau of Prisons demonstrates, in a written document submitted to the person, that such services would be a significant security risk to the prisoner, persons who provide such services, or any other person.

"(6) RECIDIVISM REDUCTION PROGRAM INCENTIVES AND REWARDS.—Prisoners who have successfully completed recidivism reduction programs and productive activities shall be eligible for the following:

"(A) TIME CREDITS.—

"(i) In General.—Subject to clauses (ii) and (iii), a prisoner who has successfully completed a recidivism reduction program or productive activity that has been certified under paragraph (2)(B) shall receive time credits of 5 days for each period of 30 days of successful completion of such program or activity. A prisoner who is classified as low risk shall receive additional time credits of 5 days for each period

1	riod of 30 days of successful completion of
2	such program or activity.
3	"(ii) Availability.—A prisoner may
4	not receive time credits under this sub-
5	paragraph for successfully completing a re-
6	cidivism reduction program or productive
7	activity—
8	"(I) before the date of enactment
9	of this subsection; or
10	"(II) during official detention be-
11	fore the date on which the prisoner's
12	sentence commences under section
13	3585(a).
14	"(iii) Exclusions.—No credit shall
15	be awarded under this subparagraph to a
16	prisoner serving a sentence for a second or
17	subsequent conviction for a Federal offense
18	imposed after the date on which the pris-
19	oner's first such conviction became final,
20	which shall not include any offense under
21	section 1152 or section 1153 for which the
22	prisoner was sentenced to less than 13
23	months. No credit shall be awarded under
24	this subparagraph to a prisoner with 13 or
25	more criminal history points, as deter-

1	mined under the sentencing guidelines, at
2	the time of sentencing, unless the court de-
3	termines in writing at sentencing that the
4	defendant's criminal history category sub-
5	stantially overrepresents the seriousness of
6	the defendant's criminal history or the
7	likelihood that the defendant will commit
8	other crimes and exercises its authority to
9	lower the defendant's criminal history cat-
10	egory. No credit shall be awarded under
11	this subparagraph to any prisoner serving
12	a sentence of imprisonment for conviction
13	for any of the following offenses:
14	"(I) A Federal crime of ter-
15	rorism, as defined in section
16	2332b(g)(5).
17	"(II) A Federal crime of violence,
18	as defined in section 16.
19	"(III) A Federal sex offense, as
20	described in section 111 of the Sex
21	Offender Registration and Notifica-
22	tion Act (34 U.S.C. 20911).
23	"(IV) Engaging in a continuing
24	criminal enterprise, as defined in sec-

1	tion 408 of the Controlled Substances
2	Act (21 U.S.C. 848).
3	"(V) A Federal crime involving
4	child exploitation, as defined in sec-
5	tion 2 of the PROTECT Our Children
6	Act of 2008 (34 U.S.C. 21101).
7	"(VI) A violation of—
8	"(aa) chapter 11 (relating to
9	bribery, graft, and conflicts of in-
10	terest);
11	"(bb) chapter 29 (relating to
12	elections and political activities);
13	"(ce) section 1028A, 1031,
14	or 1040 (relating to fraud);
15	"(dd) chapter 63 involving a
16	scheme or artifice to deprive an-
17	other of the intangible right of
18	honest services;
19	"(ee) chapter 73 (relating to
20	obstruction of justice);
21	"(ff) chapter 95 or 96 (re-
22	lating to racketeering and rack-
23	eteer influenced and corrupt or-
24	ganizations); or

1	"(gg) chapter 110 (relating
2	to sexual exploitation and other
3	abuse of children).
4	"(iv) Identification of covered
5	OFFENSES.—Not later than 1 year after
6	the date of enactment of this subsection,
7	the United States Sentencing Commission
8	shall prepare and submit to the Director of
9	the Bureau of Prisons a list of all Federal
10	offenses described in subclauses (I)
11	through (VI) of clause (iii), and shall up-
12	date such list on an annual basis.
13	"(B) OTHER INCENTIVES.—The Bureau of
14	Prisons shall develop policies to provide appro-
15	priate incentives for successful completion of re-
16	cidivism reduction programming and productive
17	activities, other than time credit pursuant to
18	subparagraph (A), including incentives for pris-
19	oners who are precluded from earning credit
20	under subparagraph (A)(iii). Such incentives
21	may include additional telephone or visitation
22	privileges for use with family, close friends,
23	mentors, and religious leaders.
24	"(C) Penalties.—The Bureau of Prisons
25	may reduce rewards a prisoner has previously

1	earned under subparagraph (A) for prisoners
2	who violate the rules of the penal or correc-
3	tional facility in which the prisoner is impris-
4	oned, a recidivism reduction program, or a pro-
5	ductive activity.
6	"(D) RELATION TO OTHER INCENTIVE
7	PROGRAMS.—The incentives described in this
8	paragraph shall be in addition to any other re-
9	wards or incentives for which a prisoner may be
10	eligible, except that a prisoner shall not be eligi-
11	ble for the time credits described in subpara-
12	graph (A) if the prisoner has accrued time cred-
13	its under another provision of law based solely
14	upon participation in, or successful completion
15	of, such program.
16	"(7) Successful completion.—For purposes
17	of this subsection, a prisoner—
18	"(A) shall be considered to have success-
19	fully completed a recidivism reduction program
20	or productive activity, if the Bureau of Prisons
21	determines that the prisoner—
22	"(i) regularly attended and partici-
23	pated in the recidivism reduction program
24	or productive activity;

1	"(ii) regularly completed assignments
2	or tasks in a manner that allowed the pris-
3	oner to realize the criminogenic benefits of
4	the recidivism reduction program or pro-
5	ductive activity;
6	"(iii) did not regularly engage in dis-
7	ruptive behavior that seriously undermined
8	the administration of the recidivism reduc-
9	tion program or productive activity; and
10	"(iv) satisfied the requirements of
11	clauses (i) through (iii) for a time period
12	that is not less than 30 days and allowed
13	the prisoner to realize the criminogenic
14	benefits of the recidivism reduction pro-
15	gram or productive activity; and
16	"(B) for purposes of paragraph (6)(A),
17	may be given credit for successful completion of
18	a recidivism reduction program or productive
19	activity for the time period during which the
20	prisoner participated in such program or activ-
21	ity if the prisoner satisfied the requirements of
22	subparagraph (A) during such time period, not-
23	withstanding that the prisoner continues to par-
24	ticipate in such program or activity.
25	"(8) Definitions.—In this subsection:

1	"(A) Eligible prisoner.—The term 'eli-
2	gible prisoner' means—
3	"(i) an individual who has been sen-
4	tenced to a term of imprisonment pursuant
5	to a conviction for a Federal criminal of-
6	fense; or
7	"(ii) an individual within the custody
8	of the Bureau of Prisons, including an in-
9	dividual in a Bureau of Prisons contracted
10	facility.
11	"(B) Productive activity.—The term
12	'productive activity'—
13	"(i) means a group or individual ac-
14	tivity, including holding a job as part of a
15	prison work program, that is designed to
16	allow prisoners classified as having a lower
17	risk of recidivism to maintain such classi-
18	fication, when offered to such prisoners;
19	and
20	"(ii) may include the delivery of the
21	activities described in subparagraph
22	(C)(i)(II) to other prisoners.
23	"(C) Recidivism reduction program.—
24	The term 'recidivism reduction program'
25	means—

1	"(i) a group or individual activity
2	that—
3	"(I) has been certified to reduce
4	recidivism or promote successful re-
5	entry; and
6	"(II) may include—
7	"(aa) classes on social learn-
8	ing and life skills;
9	"(bb) classes on morals or
10	ethics;
11	"(cc) academic classes;
12	"(dd) cognitive behavioral
13	treatment;
14	"(ee) mentoring;
15	"(ff) occupational and voca-
16	tional training;
17	"(gg) faith-based classes or
18	services;
19	"(hh) domestic violence edu-
20	cation and deterrence program-
21	ming;
22	"(ii) victim-impact classes or
23	other restorative justice pro-
24	grams;

1	"(jj) industry-sponsored
2	workforce development, edu-
3	cation, or training; and
4	"(kk) a prison job; and
5	"(ii) shall include—
6	"(I) a productive activity; and
7	"(II) recovery programming.
8	"(D) RECOVERY PROGRAMMING.—The
9	term 'recovery programming' means a course of
10	instruction or activities, other than a course de-
11	scribed in subsection (e), that has been dem-
12	onstrated to reduce drug or alcohol abuse or de-
13	pendence among participants, or to promote re-
14	covery among individuals who have previously
15	abused alcohol or drugs, to include appropriate
16	medication-assisted treatment.".
17	(e) No Consideration of Earned Time Credit
18	ELIGIBILITY DURING SENTENCING.—
19	(1) In general.—Section 3553 of title 18,
20	United States Code, is amended—
21	(A) by redesignating subsections (b)
22	through (f) as subsections (e) through (g), re-
23	spectively;

1	(B) in subsection $(e)(3)$, as so redesig-
2	nated, by striking "subsection (c)" and insert-
3	ing "subsection (d)"; and
4	(C) by inserting after subsection (a) the
5	following:
6	"(b) In imposing a sentence, the court shall not con-
7	sider the defendant's eligibility or potential eligibility for
8	credit under section 3621(e), 3621(h), or 3624(b) or any
9	similar provision of law, but shall not be prohibited from
10	informing the defendant of the existence of such credits
11	or related programs.".
12	(2) Technical and conforming amend-
13	MENTS.—Section 3742 of title 18, United States
14	Code, is amended—
15	(A) in subsection (e)(3)—
16	(i) in subparagraph (A), by striking
17	"section 3553(c)" and inserting "section
18	3553(d)";
19	(ii) in subparagraph (B)(ii), by strik-
20	ing "section 3553(b)" and inserting "sec-
21	tion 3553(e)"; and
22	(iii) in subparagraph (C), by striking
23	"section 3553(c)" and inserting "section
24	3553(d)":

1	(B) in subsection $(g)(2)$, by striking "sec-
2	tion 3553(c)" and inserting "section 3553(d)";
3	and
4	(C) in subsection (j)(1)(B), by striking
5	"section 3553(b)" and inserting "section
6	3553(e)".
7	SEC. 102. POST-SENTENCING RISK AND NEEDS ASSESS-
8	MENT SYSTEM.
9	(a) In General.—Subchapter C of chapter 229 of
10	title 18, United States Code, is amended by inserting after
11	section 3621 the following:
12	"§ 3621A. Post-sentencing risk and needs assessment
13	system
13 14	<pre>system "(a) In General.—Not later than 6 months after</pre>
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14 15	"(a) In General.—Not later than 6 months after
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14 15 16 17	"(a) In General.—Not later than 6 months after the date of the enactment of this section, the Attorney General shall develop for use by the Bureau of Prisons an offender risk and needs assessment system, to be known as the 'Post-Sentencing Risk and Needs Assess-
114 115 116 117 118	"(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 6 months after the date of the enactment of this section, the Attorney General shall develop for use by the Bureau of Prisons an offender risk and needs assessment system, to be known as the 'Post-Sentencing Risk and Needs Assessment System' or the 'Assessment System', which shall—
14 15 16 17 18 19 20	"(a) In General.—Not later than 6 months after the date of the enactment of this section, the Attorney General shall develop for use by the Bureau of Prisons an offender risk and needs assessment system, to be known as the 'Post-Sentencing Risk and Needs Assessment System' or the 'Assessment System', which shall— "(1) assess and determine the recidivism risk
14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21	"(a) In General.—Not later than 6 months after the date of the enactment of this section, the Attorney General shall develop for use by the Bureau of Prisons an offender risk and needs assessment system, to be known as the 'Post-Sentencing Risk and Needs Assessment System' or the 'Assessment System', which shall— "(1) assess and determine the recidivism risk level of all prisoners and classify each prisoner as

1	"(3) ensure that, to the extent practicable, low-
2	risk prisoners are grouped together in housing and
3	assignment decisions;
4	"(4) assign each prisoner to appropriate recidi-
5	vism reduction programs or productive activities
6	based on the prisoner's risk level and the specific
7	criminogenic needs of the prisoner, and in accord-
8	ance with section 3621(h)(4);
9	"(5) reassess and update the recidivism risk
10	level and programmatic needs of each prisoner pur-
11	suant to the schedule set forth in subsection (c)(2)
12	and assess changes in the prisoner's recidivism risk
13	within a particular risk level; and
14	"(6) provide information on best practices con-
15	cerning the tailoring of recidivism reduction pro-
16	grams to the specific criminogenic needs of each
17	prisoner so as to effectively lower the prisoner's risk
18	of recidivating.
19	"(b) Development of System.—
20	"(1) In General.—In designing the Assess-
21	ment System, the Attorney General shall—
22	"(A) use available research and best prac-
23	tices in the field and consult with academic and
24	other criminal justice experts as appropriate:

1	"(B) ensure that the Assessment System
2	measures indicators of progress and improve-
3	ment, and of regression, including newly ac-
4	quired skills, attitude, and behavior changes
5	over time, through meaningful consideration of
6	dynamic risk factors, such that—
7	"(i) all prisoners at each risk level
8	other than low risk have a meaningful op-
9	portunity to progress to a lower risk classi-
10	fication during the period of the incarcer-
11	ation of the prisoner through changes in
12	dynamic risk factors; and
13	"(ii) all prisoners on prerelease cus-
14	tody, other than prisoners classified as low
15	risk, have a meaningful opportunity to
16	progress to a lower risk classification dur-
17	ing such custody through changes in dy-
18	namic risk factors;
19	"(C) ensure that the Assessment System is
20	adjusted on a regular basis, but not less fre-
21	quently than every 3 years, to take account of
22	the best statistical evidence of effectiveness in
23	reducing recidivism rates; and

1	"(D) ensure that the Assessment System
2	does not result in unwarranted disparities, in-
3	cluding by—
4	"(i) regularly evaluating rates of re-
5	cidivism among similarly classified pris-
6	oners to identify any unwarranted dispari-
7	ties in such rates, including disparities
8	among similarly classified prisoners of dif-
9	ferent racial groups; and
10	"(ii) adjusting the Assessment System
11	to reduce such disparities to the greatest
12	extent possible.
13	"(2) Risk and needs assessment tools.—
14	In carrying out this subsection, the Attorney Gen-
15	eral shall—
16	"(A) develop a suitable intake assessment
17	tool to perform the initial assessments and de-
18	terminations described in subsection (a)(1), and
19	to make the assignments described in para-
20	graphs (3) and (4) of subsection (a);
21	"(B) develop a suitable reassessment tool
22	to perform the reassessments and updates de-
23	scribed in subsection (a)(5); and

- 1 "(C) develop a suitable tool to assess the 2 recidivism risk level of prisoners in prerelease 3 custody.
 - "(3) USE OF EXISTING RISK AND NEEDS AS-SESSMENT TOOLS PERMITTED.—In carrying out this subsection, the Attorney General may use existing risk and needs assessment tools, as appropriate, for the assessment tools required under paragraph (2).
 - "(4) USE OF PRESENTENCE REPORT.—In carrying out this subsection, the Attorney General shall coordinate with the United States Probation and Pretrial Services to ensure that the findings of the Presentence Report of each offender are available and considered in the Assessment System.
 - "(5) Validation.—In carrying out this subsection, the Attorney General shall statistically validate the risk and needs assessment tools on the Federal prison population, or ensure that the tools have been so validated. To the extent such validation cannot be completed with the time period specified in subsection (a), the Attorney General shall ensure that such validation is completed as soon as is practicable.
 - "(6) Relationship with existing classification systems.—The Bureau of Prisons may

1 incorporate its existing Inmate Classification System 2 into the Assessment System if the Assessment Sys-3 tem assesses the risk level and criminogenic needs of 4 each prisoner and determines the appropriate secu-5 rity level institution for each prisoner. Before the de-6 velopment of the Assessment System, the Bureau of 7 Prisons may use the existing Inmate Classification 8 System, or a pre-existing risk and needs assessment 9 tool that can be used to classify prisoners consistent 10 with subsection (a)(1), or can be reasonably adapted 11 for such purpose, for purposes of this section, sec-12 tion 3621(h), and section 3624(c).

"(c) RISK ASSESSMENT.—

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- "(1) Initial assessments.—Not later than 12 months after the date on which the Attorney General develops the Assessment System, the Bureau of Prisons shall determine the risk level and criminogenic needs of each prisoner using the Assessment System.
- "(2) Reassessments and updates.—The Bureau of Prisons shall update the assessment of each prisoner required under paragraph (1)—
- 23 "(A) not less frequently than once each 24 year for any prisoner whose anticipated release 25 date is within 3 years;

1	"(B) not less frequently than once every 2
2	years for any prisoner whose anticipated release
3	date is within 10 years; and
4	"(C) not less frequently than once every 3
5	years for any other prisoner.
6	"(d) Assignment of Recidivism Reduction Pro-
7	GRAMS OR PRODUCTIVE ACTIVITIES.—The Assessment
8	System shall provide guidance on the kind and amount
9	of recidivism reduction programming or productive activi-
10	ties appropriate for each prisoner.
11	"(e) Bureau of Prisons Training.—The Attorney
12	General shall develop training protocols and programs for
13	Bureau of Prisons officials and employees responsible for
14	administering the Assessment System. Such training pro-
15	tocols shall include a requirement that personnel of the
16	Bureau of Prisons demonstrate competence in using the
17	methodology and procedure developed under this section
18	on a regular basis.
19	"(f) Information From Presentence Report.—
20	The Attorney General shall ensure that the Bureau of
21	Prisons uses relevant information from the Presentence
22	Report of each offenders when conducting an assessment
23	under this section.
24	"(g) QUALITY ASSURANCE.—In order to ensure that
25	the Bureau of Prisons is using the Assessment System in

- 1 an appropriate and consistent manner, the Attorney Gen-
- 2 eral shall monitor and assess the use of the Assessment
- 3 System and shall conduct periodic audits of the use of the
- 4 Assessment System at facilities of the Bureau of Prisons.
- 5 "(h) DETERMINATIONS AND CLASSIFICATIONS
- 6 Unreviewable.—Subject to any constitutional limita-
- 7 tions, there shall be no right of review, right of appeal,
- 8 cognizable property interest, or cause of action, either ad-
- 9 ministrative or judicial, arising from any determination or
- 10 classification made by any Federal agency or employee
- 11 while implementing or administering the Assessment Sys-
- 12 tem, or any rules or regulations promulgated under this
- 13 section.
- 14 "(i) Definitions.—In this section:
- 15 "(1) DYNAMIC RISK FACTOR.—The term 'dy-
- namic risk factor' means a characteristic or at-
- tribute that has been shown to be relevant to assess-
- ing risk of recidivism and that can be modified
- based on a prisoner's actions, behaviors, or atti-
- tudes, including through completion of appropriate
- 21 programming or other means, in a prison setting.
- 22 "(2) Recidivism risk.—The term 'recidivism
- risk' means the likelihood that a prisoner will com-
- 24 mit additional crimes for which the prisoner could be

1	prosecuted in a Federal, State, or local court in the
2	United States.
3	"(3) RECIDIVISM REDUCTION PROGRAM; PRO-
4	DUCTIVE ACTIVITY; RECOVERY PROGRAMMING.—The
5	terms 'recidivism reduction program', 'productive ac-
6	tivity', and 'recovery programming' shall have the
7	meaning given such terms in section 3621(h)(8).".
8	(b) Technical and Conforming Amendment.—
9	The table of sections for subchapter C of chapter 229 of
10	title 18, United States Code, is amended by inserting after
11	the item relating to section 3621 the following:
	"3621A. Post-sentencing risk and needs assessment system.".
12	SEC. 103. PRERELEASE CUSTODY.
13	(a) In General.—Section 3624(c) of title 18,
1 /	United States Code, is amended—
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15	(1) in paragraph (1), by striking the period at
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15 16 17 18 19 20 21	(1) in paragraph (1), by striking the period at the end of the second sentence and inserting "or home confinement, subject to the limitation that no prisoner may serve more than 10 percent of the prisoner's imposed sentence in home confinement pursuant to this paragraph."; (2) by striking paragraphs (2) and (3) and in-
15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22	(1) in paragraph (1), by striking the period at the end of the second sentence and inserting "or home confinement, subject to the limitation that no prisoner may serve more than 10 percent of the prisoner's imposed sentence in home confinement pursuant to this paragraph."; (2) by striking paragraphs (2) and (3) and inserting the following:

prerelease custody pursuant to paragraph (1), a prisoner shall spend an additional portion of the final months of the prisoner's sentence, equivalent to the amount of time credit the prisoner has earned pursuant to section 3621(h)(6)(A), in prerelease custody, if—

"(A) the prisoner's most recent risk and needs assessment, conducted within 1 year of the date on which the prisoner would first be eligible for transfer to prerelease custody pursuant to paragraph (1) and this paragraph, reflects that the prisoner is classified as low or moderate risk; and

"(B) for a prisoner classified as moderate risk, the prisoner's most recent risk and needs assessment reflects that the prisoner's risk of recidivism has declined during the period of the prisoner's incarceration.

"(3) Types of preference custody.—A prisoner eligible to serve a portion of the prisoner's sentence in prerelease custody pursuant to paragraph (2) may serve such portion in a residential reentry center, on home confinement, or, subject to paragraph (5), on community supervision, in accordance with the following guidelines:

1	"(A) Lower-risk, lower-need prisoners shall
2	be placed directly into home confinement or
3	community supervision.
4	"(B) Residential reentry center placements
5	shall be reserved for the higher-risk, higher-
6	need prisoners.";
7	(3) by redesignating paragraphs (4) through
8	(6) as paragraphs (9) through (11), respectively;
9	(4) by inserting the following after paragraph
10	(3):
11	"(4) Home confinement.—
12	"(A) In General.—Upon placement in
13	home confinement pursuant to paragraph (2), a
14	prisoner shall—
15	"(i) be subject to 24-hour electronic
16	monitoring that enables the prompt identi-
17	fication of any violation of clause (ii);
18	"(ii) remain in the prisoner's resi-
19	dence, with the exception of the following
20	activities, subject to approval by the Direc-
21	tor of the Bureau of Prisons—
22	"(I) participation in a job, job-
23	seeking activities, or job-related activi-
24	ties, including an apprenticeship;

1	"(II) participation in recidivism
2	reduction programming or productive
3	activities assigned by the Post-Sen-
4	tencing Risk and Needs Assessment
5	System, or similar activities approved
6	in advance by the Director of the Bu-
7	reau of Prisons;
8	"(III) participation in community
9	service;
10	"(IV) crime victim restoration ac-
11	tivities;
12	"(V) medical treatment; or
13	"(VI) religious activities; and
14	"(iii) comply with such other condi-
15	tions as the Director of the Bureau of
16	Prisons deems appropriate.
17	"(B) ALTERNATIVE MEANS OF MONI-
18	TORING.—If compliance with subparagraph
19	(A)(i) is infeasible due to technical limitations
20	or religious considerations, the Director of the
21	Bureau of Prisons may employ alternative
22	means of monitoring that are determined to be
23	as effective or more effective than electronic
24	monitoring.

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"(C) Modifications.—The Director of the Bureau of Prisons may modify the conditions of the prisoner's home confinement for compelling reasons, if the prisoner's record demonstrates exemplary compliance with such conditions.

"(5) COMMUNITY SUPERVISION.—

"(A) TIME CREDIT LESS THAN 36 MONTHS.—Any prisoner described in subparagraph (D) who has earned time credit of less than 36 months section pursuant to 3621(h)(6)(A) shall be eligible to serve no more than one-half of the amount of such credit on community supervision, if the prisoner satisfies the conditions set forth in subparagraph (C).

"(B) Time credit of 36 months or more described in subparagraph (D) who has earned time credit of 36 months or more pursuant to section 3621(h)(6)(A) shall be eligible to serve the amount of such credit exceeding 18 months on community supervision, if the prisoner satisfies the conditions set forth in subparagraph (C).

"(C) CONDITIONS OF COMMUNITY SUPER-VISION.—A prisoner placed on community su-

1	pervision shall be subject to such conditions as
2	the Director of the Bureau of Prisons deems
3	appropriate. A prisoner on community super-
4	vision may remain on community supervision
5	until the conclusion of the prisoner's sentence
6	of incarceration if the prisoner—
7	"(i) complies with all conditions of
8	prerelease custody;
9	"(ii) remains current on any financial
10	obligations imposed as part of the pris-
11	oner's sentence, including payments of
12	court-ordered restitution arising from the
13	offense of conviction; and
14	"(iii) refrains from committing any
15	State, local, or Federal offense.
16	"(D) Covered Prisoners.—A prisoner
17	described in this subparagraph is a prisoner
18	who—
19	"(i) is classified as low risk by the
20	Post-Sentencing Risk and Needs Assess-
21	ment System in the assessment conducted
22	for purposes of paragraph (2); or
23	"(ii) is subsequently classified as low
24	risk by the Post-Sentencing Risk and
25	Needs Assessment System.

"(6) Violations.—If a prisoner violates a condition of the prisoner's prerelease custody, the Director of the Bureau of Prisons may revoke the prisoner's prerelease custody and require the prisoner to serve the remainder of the prisoner's term of incarceration, or any portion thereof, in prison, or impose additional conditions on the prisoner's prerelease custody as the Director of the Bureau of Prisons deems appropriate. If the violation is nontechnical in nature, the Director of the Bureau of Prisons shall revoke the prisoner's prerelease custody.

- "(7) CREDIT FOR PRERELEASE CUSTODY.—
 Upon completion of a prisoner's sentence, any term
 of supervised release imposed on the prisoner shall
 be reduced by the amount of time the prisoner
 served in prerelease custody pursuant to paragraph
 (2).
- "(8) AGREEMENTS WITH UNITED STATES PRO-BATION AND PRETRIAL SERVICES.—The Director of the Bureau of Prisons shall, to the greatest extent practicable, enter into agreements with the United States Probation and Pretrial Services to supervise prisoners placed in home confinement or community supervision under this subsection. Such agreements shall authorize United States Probation and Pretrial

Services to exercise the authority granted to the Director of the Bureau of Prisons pursuant to paragraphs (4), (5), and (12). Such agreements shall take into account the resource requirements of United States Probation and Pretrial Services as a result of the transfer of Bureau of Prisons inmates to prerelease custody and shall provide for the transfer of monetary sums necessary to comply with such requirements. United States Probation and Pretrial Services shall, to the greatest extent practicable, offer assistance to any prisoner not under its supervision during prerelease custody under this subsection."; and

(5) by inserting at the end the following:

"(12) Determination of appropriate conditions for prerelease custody pursuant to this subsection, and in accordance with paragraph (5), the Director of the Bureau of Prisons shall, to the extent practicable, subject prisoners who demonstrate continued compliance with the requirements of such prerelease custody to increasingly less restrictive conditions, so as to most effectively prepare such prisoners for reentry. No prisoner shall be transferred to community supervision

unless the length of the prisoner's eligibility for community supervision pursuant to paragraph (5) is equivalent to or greater than the length of the prisoner's remaining period of prerelease custody.

"(13) ALIENS SUBJECT TO DEPORTATION.—If
the prisoner is an alien whose deportation was ordered as a condition of supervised release or who is
subject to a detainer filed by Immigration and Customs Enforcement for the purposes of determining
the alien's deportability, the Director of the Bureau
of Prisons shall, upon the prisoner's transfer to
prerelease custody pursuant to paragraphs (1) and
(2), deliver the prisoner to United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement for the purpose of
conducting proceedings relating to the alien's deportation.

"(14) Notice of transfer to prefelease custody.—

"(A) IN GENERAL.—The Director of the Bureau of Prisons may not transfer a prisoner to prerelease custody pursuant to paragraph (2) if the prisoner has been sentenced to a term of incarceration of more than 3 years, unless the Director of the Bureau of Prisons provides prior notice to the sentencing court and the

1	United States Attorney's Office for the district
2	in which the prisoner was sentenced.
3	"(B) Time requirement.—The notice re-
4	quired under subparagraph (A) shall be pro-
5	vided not later than 6 months before the date
6	on which the prisoner is to be transferred.
7	"(C) Contents of Notice.—The notice
8	required under subparagraph (A) shall include
9	the following information:
10	"(i) The amount of credit earned pur-
11	suant to paragraph (2).
12	"(ii) The anticipated date of the pris-
13	oner's transfer.
14	"(iii) The nature of the prisoner's
15	planned prerelease custody.
16	"(iv) The prisoner's behavioral record.
17	"(v) The most recent risk assessment
18	of the prisoner.
19	"(D) Hearing.—
20	"(i) In general.—On motion of the
21	Government, the sentencing court may
22	conduct a hearing on the prisoner's trans-
23	fer to prerelease custody.
24	"(ii) Prisoner's presence.—The
25	prisoner shall have the right to be present

1	at a hearing described in clause (i), unless
2	the prisoner waives such right. The re-
3	quirement under this clause may be satis-
4	fied by the defendant appearing by video
5	teleconference.
6	"(iii) MOTION.—A motion filed by the
7	Government seeking a hearing—
8	"(I) shall set forth the basis for
9	the Government's request that the
10	prisoner's transfer be denied or modi-
11	fied pursuant to subparagraph (E)
12	and include input from local law en-
13	forcement authorities regarding prior
14	conduct or any other relevant infor-
15	mation; and
16	"(II) shall not require the Court
17	to conduct a hearing described in
18	clause (i).
19	"(iv) Justice department review
20	OF TRANSFERS TO PRERELEASE CUS-
21	TODY.—If the Department of Justice does
22	not seek a hearing under this subpara-
23	graph to deny or modify a prisoner's trans-
24	fer to prerelease custody, the Department
25	of Justice prior to such transfer shall

1	make a determination to that effect in
2	writing, including the reasons for that de-
3	termination.
4	"(E) DETERMINATION OF THE COURT.—
5	The court may deny the transfer of the prisoner
6	to prerelease custody or modify the terms of
7	such transfer, if, after conducting a hearing
8	pursuant to subparagraph (D), the court finds
9	in writing, by a preponderance of the evidence,
10	that the transfer of the prisoner is inconsistent
11	with the factors specified in paragraphs (2),
12	(6), and (7) of section 3553(a).".
13	(b) Effective Date.—The amendments made by
14	this section shall take effect 1 year after the date of enact-
15	ment of this Act.
16	SEC. 104. REPORTS.
17	(a) Annual Reports.—
18	(1) Reports.—Not later than 1 year after the
19	date of enactment of this Act, and every year there-
20	after, the Attorney General, in coordination with the
21	Comptroller General of the United States, shall sub-
22	mit to the appropriate committees of Congress a re-
23	port that contains the following:
24	(A) A summary of the activities and ac-
25	complishments of the Attorney General in car-

1	rying out this title and the amendments made
2	by this title.
3	(B) An assessment of the status and use
4	of the Post-Sentencing Risk and Needs Assess-
5	ment System by the Bureau of Prisons, includ-
6	ing the number of prisoners classified at each
7	risk level under the Post-Sentencing Risk and
8	Needs Assessment System at each facility of
9	the Bureau of Prisons.
10	(C) A summary and assessment of the
11	types and effectiveness of the recidivism reduc-
12	tion programs and productive activities in facili-
13	ties operated by the Bureau of Prisons, includ-
14	ing—
15	(i) evidence about which programs
16	and activities have been shown to reduce
17	recidivism;
18	(ii) the capacity of each program and
19	activity at each facility, including the num-
20	ber of prisoners along with the risk level of
21	each prisoner enrolled in each program and
22	activity; and
23	(iii) identification of any problems or
24	shortages in capacity of such programs

1	and activities, and how these should be
2	remedied.
3	(D) An assessment of budgetary savings
4	resulting from this title and the amendments
5	made by this title, to include—
6	(i) a summary of the amount of sav-
7	ings resulting from the transfer of pris-
8	oners into prerelease custody under this
9	title and the amendments made by this
10	title, including savings resulting from the
11	avoidance or deferral of future construc-
12	tion, acquisition, or operations costs;
13	(ii) a summary of the amount of sav-
14	ings resulting from any decrease in recidi-
15	vism that may be attributed to the imple-
16	mentation of the Post-Sentencing Risk and
17	Needs Assessment System or the increase
18	in recidivism reduction programs and pro-
19	ductive activities required by this title and
20	the amendments made by this title;
21	(iii) a strategy to reinvest such sav-
22	ings into other Federal, State, and local
23	law enforcement activities and expansions
24	of recidivism reduction programs and pro-

1	ductive activities in the Bureau of Prisons;
2	and
3	(iv) a description of how the reduced
4	expenditures on Federal corrections and
5	the budgetary savings resulting from this
6	title, and the amendments made by this
7	title, are currently being used and will be
8	used to—
9	(I) increase investment in law en-
10	forcement and crime prevention to
11	combat gangs of national significance
12	and high-level drug traffickers
13	through the High Intensity Drug
14	Trafficking Areas program and other
15	task forces;
16	(II) hire, train, and equip law en-
17	forcement officers and prosecutors;
18	and
19	(III) promote crime reduction
20	programs using evidence-based prac-
21	tices and strategic planning to help
22	reduce crime and criminal recidivism.
23	(2) Reinvestment of savings to fund pub-
24	LIC SAFETY PROGRAMMING.—

1	(A) In general.—Beginning in the first
2	fiscal year after the first report is submitted
3	under paragraph (1), and every fiscal year
4	thereafter, the Attorney General shall—
5	(i) determine the covered amount for
6	the previous fiscal year in accordance with
7	subparagraph (B); and
8	(ii) use an amount of funds appro-
9	priated to the Department of Justice that
10	is not less than 90 percent of the covered
11	amount for the purposes described in sub-
12	paragraph (C).
13	(B) COVERED AMOUNT.—For purposes of
14	this paragraph, the term "covered amount"
15	means, using the most recent report submitted
16	under paragraph (1), the amount equal to the
17	sum of the amount described in paragraph
18	(1)(D)(i) for the fiscal year and the amount de-
19	scribed in paragraph (1)(D)(ii) for the fiscal
20	year.
21	(C) Use of funds.—The funds described
22	in subparagraph (A)(ii) shall be used, con-
23	sistent with paragraph (1)(D)(iii), to achieve
24	each of the following objectives:

1	(i) Ensure that, not later than 6 years
2	after the date of enactment of this Act, re-
3	cidivism reduction programs or productive
4	activities are available to all eligible pris-
5	oners.
6	(ii) Ensure compliance with the re-
7	source needs of United States Probation
8	and Pretrial Services resulting from an
9	agreement under section 3624(c)(8) of title
10	18, United States Code, as added by this
11	title.
12	(iii) Supplement funding for programs
13	that increase public safety by providing re-
14	sources to State and local law enforcement
15	officials, including for the adoption of in-
16	novative technologies and information
17	sharing capabilities.
18	(b) Prison Work Programs Report.—Not later
19	than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act,
20	the Attorney General shall submit to the appropriate com-
21	mittees of Congress a report on the status of prison work
22	programs at facilities operated by the Bureau of Prisons,
23	including—
24	(1) a strategy to expand the availability of such
25	programs without reducing job opportunities for

- workers in the United States who are not in the custody of the Bureau of Prisons;
 - (2) an assessment of the feasibility of expanding such programs, consistent with the strategy required under paragraph (1), so that, not later than 5 years after the date of enactment of this Act, not less than 75 percent of eligible low-risk offenders have the opportunity to participate in a prison work program for not less than 20 hours per week; and
 - (3) a detailed discussion of legal authorities that would be useful or necessary to achieve the goals described in paragraphs (1) and (2).

(c) REPORTING ON RECIDIVISM RATES.—

- (1) In General.—Beginning 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act, and every year thereafter, the Attorney General, in consultation with the Administrative Office of the United States Courts, shall report to the appropriate committees of Congress on rates of recidivism among individuals who have been released from Federal prison and who are under judicial supervision, including the rates of recidivism at regular annual intervals during the 10-year period after release from prison.
- (2) Contents.—The report required under paragraph (1) shall contain information on rates of

1	recidivism among former Federal prisoners, includ-
2	ing information on rates of recidivism among former
3	Federal prisoners based on the following criteria:
4	(A) Primary offense charged.
5	(B) Length of sentence imposed and
6	served.
7	(C) Bureau of Prisons facility or facilities
8	in which the prisoner's sentence was served.
9	(D) Recidivism reduction programming
10	that the prisoner successfully completed, if any.
11	(E) The prisoner's assessed risk of recidi-
12	vism.
13	(3) Assistance.—The Administrative Office of
14	the United States Courts shall provide to the Attor-
15	ney General any information in its possession that is
16	necessary for the completion of the report required
17	under paragraph (1).
18	(d) Reporting on Excluded Prisoners.—Not
19	later than 8 years after the date of enactment of this Act,
20	the Attorney General shall submit to the appropriate com-
21	mittees of Congress a report on the effectiveness of recidi-
22	vism reduction programs and productive activities offered
23	to prisoners described in section 3621(h)(6)(A)(iii) of title
24	18, United States Code, as added by this title, as well as
25	those ineligible for credit toward prerelease custody under

1	section 3624(c)(2) of title 18, United States Code, as
2	added by this title, which shall review the effectiveness of
3	different categories of incentives in reducing recidivism.
4	(e) Definition.—The term "appropriate committees
5	of Congress" means—
6	(1) the Committee on the Judiciary and the
7	Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and
8	Related Agencies of the Committee on Appropria-
9	tions of the Senate; and
10	(2) the Committee on the Judiciary and the
11	Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and
12	Related Agencies of the Committee on Appropria-
13	tions of the House of Representatives.
14	SEC. 105. ADDITIONAL TOOLS TO PROMOTE RECOVERY
15	AND PREVENT DRUG AND ALCOHOL ABUSE
16	AND DEPENDENCE.
	AND DEFENDENCE.
17	(a) REENTRY AND RECOVERY PLANNING.—
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	(a) REENTRY AND RECOVERY PLANNING.—
18	(a) Reentry and Recovery Planning.— (1) Presentence reports.—Section 3552 of
18 19	 (a) REENTRY AND RECOVERY PLANNING.— (1) PRESENTENCE REPORTS.—Section 3552 of title 18, United States Code, is amended—
18 19 20	 (a) REENTRY AND RECOVERY PLANNING.— (1) PRESENTENCE REPORTS.—Section 3552 of title 18, United States Code, is amended— (A) by redesignating subsections (b), (c)
18 19 20 21	 (a) REENTRY AND RECOVERY PLANNING.— (1) PRESENTENCE REPORTS.—Section 3552 of title 18, United States Code, is amended— (A) by redesignating subsections (b), (c), and (d) as subsections (c), (d), and (e), respections
18 19 20 21 22	 (a) REENTRY AND RECOVERY PLANNING.— (1) PRESENTENCE REPORTS.—Section 3552 of title 18, United States Code, is amended— (A) by redesignating subsections (b), (c), and (d) as subsections (c), (d), and (e), respectively;

1	"(1) In general.—In addition to the informa-
2	tion required by rule 32(d) of the Federal Rules of
3	Criminal Procedure, the report submitted pursuant
4	to subsection (a) shall contain the following informa-
5	tion, unless such information is required to be ex-
6	cluded pursuant to rule 32(d)(3) of the Federal
7	Rules of Criminal Procedure or except as provided
8	in paragraph (2):
9	"(A) Information about the defendant's
10	history of substance abuse and addiction, if ap-
11	plicable.
12	"(B) Information about the defendant's
13	service in the Armed Forces of the United
14	States and veteran status, if applicable.
15	"(C) A detailed plan, which shall include
16	the identification of programming provided by
17	the Bureau of Prisons that is appropriate for
18	the defendant's needs, that the probation officer
19	determines will—
20	"(i) reduce the likelihood the defend-
21	ant will abuse drugs or alcohol if the de-
22	fendant has a history of substance abuse;
23	"(ii) reduce the defendant's likelihood
24	of recidivism by addressing the defendant's
25	specific recidivism risk factors; and

1	"(iii) assist the defendant preparing
2	for reentry into the community.
3	"(2) Exceptions.—The information described
4	in paragraph (1)(C)(iii) shall not be required to be
5	included under paragraph (1), in the discretion of
6	the Probation Officer, if the applicable sentencing
7	range under the sentencing guidelines, as deter-
8	mined by the probation officer, includes a sentence
9	of life imprisonment or a sentence of probation.";
10	(C) in subsection (c), as redesignated, in
11	the first sentence, by striking "subsection (a) or
12	(c)" and inserting "subsection (a) or (d)"; and
13	(D) in subsection (d), as redesignated, by
14	striking "subsection (a) or (b)" and inserting
15	"subsection (a) or (c)".
16	(2) Technical and conforming amend-
17	MENT.—Section 3672 of title 18, United States
18	Code, is amended in the eighth undesignated para-
19	graph by striking "subsection (b) or (c)" and insert-
20	ing "subsection (c) or (d)".
21	(b) Promoting Full Utilization of Residen-
22	TIAL DRUG TREATMENT.—Section 3621(e)(2) of title 18
23	United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the
24	following:

1 "(C) Commencement of treatment.— 2 Not later than 12 months after the date of en-3 actment of this subparagraph, the Director of 4 the Bureau of Prisons shall ensure that each eligible prisoner has an opportunity to commence 6 participation in treatment under this subsection 7 by such date as is necessary to ensure that the 8 prisoner completes such treatment not later 9 than 1 year before the date on which the pris-10 oner would otherwise be released from custody 11 prior to the application of any reduction in sen-12 tence pursuant to this paragraph.

- "(D) OTHER CREDITS.—The Director of the Bureau of Prisons may, in the Director's discretion, reduce the credit awarded under subsection (h)(6)(A) to a prisoner who receives a reduction under subparagraph (B), but such reduction may not exceed one-half the amount of the reduction awarded to the prisoner under subparagraph (B).".
- 21 (c) SUPERVISED RELEASE PILOT PROGRAM TO RE-22 DUCE RECIDIVISM AND IMPROVE RECOVERY FROM ALCO-23 HOL AND DRUG ABUSE.—
- 24 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after 25 the date of enactment of this Act, the Administrative

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- Office of the United States Courts shall establish a recidivism reduction and recovery enhancement pilot program, premised on high-intensity supervision and the use of swift, predictable, and graduated sanctions for noncompliance with program rules, in Federal judicial districts selected by the Administrative Office of the United States Courts in consultation with the Attorney General.
 - (2) REQUIREMENTS OF PROGRAM.—Participation in the pilot program required under paragraph (1) shall be subject to the following requirements:
 - (A) Upon entry into the pilot program, the court shall notify program participants of the rules of the program and consequences for violating such rules, including the penalties to be imposed as a result of such violations pursuant to subparagraph (E).
 - (B) Probation officers shall conduct regular drug testing of all pilot program participants with a history of substance abuse.
 - (C) In the event that a probation officer determines that a participant has violated a term of supervised release, the officer shall notify the court within 24 hours of such determination, absent good cause.

1	(D) As soon as is practicable, and in no
2	case more than 1 week after the violation was
3	reported by the probation officer, absent good
4	cause, the court shall conduct a hearing on the
5	alleged violation.
6	(E) If the court determines that a program
7	participant has violated a term of supervised re-
8	lease, it shall impose an appropriate sanction,
9	which may include the following, if appropriate:
10	(i) Modification of the terms of such
11	participant's supervised release, which may
12	include imposition of a period of home con-
13	finement.
14	(ii) Referral to appropriate substance
15	abuse treatment.
16	(iii) Revocation of the defendant's su-
17	pervised release and the imposition of a
18	sentence of incarceration that is no longer
19	than necessary to punish the participant
20	for such violation and deter the participant
21	from committing future violations.
22	(iv) For participants who habitually
23	fail to abide by program rules or pose a
24	threat to public safety, termination from

the program.

1	(3) STATUS OF PARTICIPANT IF INCARCER-
2	ATED.—
3	(A) In General.—In the event that a pro-
4	gram participant is sentenced to incarceration
5	as described in paragraph (2)(E)(iii), the par-
6	ticipant shall remain in the program upon re-
7	lease from incarceration unless terminated from
8	the program in accordance with paragraph
9	(2)(E)(iv).
10	(B) Policies for maintaining employ-
11	MENT.—The Bureau of Prisons, in consultation
12	with the Chief Probation Officers of the Federal
13	judicial districts selected for participation in the
14	pilot program required under paragraph (1),
15	shall develop policies to enable program partici-
16	pants sentenced to terms of incarceration as de-
17	scribed in paragraph (2)(E) to, where prac-
18	ticable, serve the terms of incarceration while
19	maintaining employment, including allowing the
20	terms of incarceration to be served on week-
21	ends.
22	(4) Advisory sentencing policies.—
23	(A) IN GENERAL.—The United States Sen-
24	tencing Commission, in consultation with the

Chief Probation Officers, the United States At-

- torneys, Federal Defenders, and Chief Judges
 of the districts selected for participation in the
 pilot program required under paragraph (1),
 shall establish advisory sentencing policies to be
 used by the district courts in imposing sentences of incarceration in accordance with paragraph (2)(E).
 - (B) REQUIREMENT.—The advisory sentencing policies established under subparagraph (A) shall be consistent with the stated goal of the pilot program to impose predictable and graduated sentences that are no longer than necessary for violations of program rules.
 - (5) DURATION OF PROGRAM.—The pilot program required under paragraph (1) shall continue for not less than 5 years and may be extended for not more than 5 years by the Administrative Office of the United States Courts.
 - (6) Assessment of program outcomes and report to congress.—
 - (A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 2 years after the date of enactment of this Act, the Administrative Office of the United States Courts shall conduct an evaluation of the pilot program

1	and submit to Congress a report on the results
2	of the evaluation.
3	(B) Contents.—The report required
4	under subparagraph (A) shall include—
5	(i) the rates of substance abuse
6	among program participants;
7	(ii) the rates of violations of the terms
8	of supervised release by program partici-
9	pants, and sanctions imposed;
10	(iii) information about employment of
11	program participants;
12	(iv) a comparison of outcomes among
13	program participants with outcomes among
14	similarly situated individuals under the su-
15	pervision of United States Probation and
16	Pretrial Services not participating in the
17	program; and
18	(v) an assessment of the effectiveness
19	of each of the relevant features of the pro-
20	gram.
21	SEC. 106. PROMOTING SUCCESSFUL REENTRY.
22	(a) Federal Reentry Demonstration
23	Projects.—
24	(1) Evaluation of existing best practices
25	FOR REENTRY.—Not later than 1 year after the date

1	of enactment of this Act, the Attorney General, in
2	consultation with the Administrative Office of the
3	United States Courts, shall—
4	(A) evaluate best practices used for the re-
5	entry into society of individuals released from
6	the custody of the Bureau of Prisons, includ-
7	ing—
8	(i) conducting examinations of reentry
9	practices in Federal, State, and local jus-
10	tice systems; and
11	(ii) consulting with Federal, State,
12	and local prosecutors, Federal, State, and
13	local public defenders, nonprofit organiza-
14	tions that provide reentry services, and
15	criminal justice experts; and
16	(B) submit to the Committee on the Judi-
17	ciary of the Senate and the Committee on the
18	Judiciary of the House of Representatives a re-
19	port that details the evaluation conducted under
20	subparagraph (A).
21	(2) Creation of Reentry Demonstration
22	PROJECTS.—Not later than 3 years after the date of
23	enactment of this Act, the Attorney General, in con-
24	sultation with the Administrative Office of the
25	United States Courts, shall, subject to the avail-

- ability of appropriations, select an appropriate num-ber of Federal judicial districts to conduct Federal reentry demonstration projects using the best prac-tices identified in the evaluation conducted under paragraph (1), which may include Federal judicial districts with existing reentry programs. The Attor-ney General shall determine the appropriate number of Federal judicial districts to conduct demonstra-tion projects under this paragraph.
 - (3) Project design.—For each Federal judicial district selected under paragraph (2), the United States Attorney, in consultation with the Chief Judge, Chief Federal Defender, the Chief Probation Officer, the Bureau of Justice Assistance, the National Institute of Justice, and criminal justice experts shall design a Federal reentry demonstration project for the Federal judicial district in accordance with paragraph (4).
 - (4) Project elements.—A project designed under paragraph (3) shall coordinate efforts by Federal agencies to assist participating prisoners in preparing for and adjusting to reentry into the community and may include, as appropriate—

1	(A) the use of community correctional fa-
2	cilities and home confinement, as determined to
3	be appropriate by the Bureau of Prisons;
4	(B) a reentry review team for each pris-
5	oner to develop a reentry plan specific to the
6	needs of the prisoner, and to meet with the
7	prisoner following transfer to monitor the re-
8	entry plan;
9	(C) steps to assist the prisoner in obtain-
10	ing health care, housing, and employment, be-
11	fore the prisoner's release from a community
12	correctional facility or home confinement;
13	(D) regular drug testing for participants
14	with a history of substance abuse;
15	(E) substance abuse treatment, which may
16	include addiction treatment medication, if ap-
17	propriate, medical treatment, including mental
18	health treatment, occupational, vocational and
19	educational training, apprenticeships, life skills
20	instruction, recovery support, conflict resolution
21	training, and other programming to promote ef-
22	fective reintegration into the community;
23	(F) the participation of volunteers to serve
24	as advisors and mentors to prisoners being re-
25	leased into the community;

1	(G) steps to ensure that the prisoner
2	makes satisfactory progress toward satisfying
3	any obligations to victims of the prisoner's of-
4	fense, including any obligation to pay restitu-
5	tion; and
6	(H) the appointment of a reentry coordi-
7	nator in the United States Attorney's Office.
8	(5) Review of project outcomes.—Not
9	later than 3 years after the date of enactment of
10	this Act, the Administrative Office of the United
11	States Courts, in consultation with the Attorney
12	General, shall—
13	(A) evaluate the results from each Federal
14	judicial district selected under paragraph (2),
15	including the extent to which participating pris-
16	oners released from the custody of the Bureau
17	of Prisons were successfully reintegrated into
18	their communities, including whether the par-
19	ticipating prisoners maintained employment,
20	and refrained from committing further offenses;
21	and
22	(B) submit to the Committee on the Judi-
23	ciary of the Senate and the Committee on the
24	Judiciary of the House of Representatives a re-
25	port that contains—

1	(i) the evaluation of the best practices
2	identified in the report required under
3	paragraph (1); and
4	(ii) the results of the demonstration
5	projects required under paragraph (2).
6	(b) STUDY ON THE IMPACT OF REENTRY ON CER-
7	TAIN COMMUNITIES.—
8	(1) In general.—Not later than 2 years after
9	the date of enactment of this Act, the Attorney Gen-
10	eral, in consultation with the Administrative Office
11	of the United States Courts, shall submit to the
12	Committee on the Judiciary of the Senate and the
13	Committee on the Judiciary of the House of Rep-
14	resentatives a report on the impact of reentry of
15	prisoners on communities in which a dispropor-
16	tionate number of individuals reside upon release
17	from incarceration.
18	(2) Contents.—The report required under
19	paragraph (1) shall analyze the impact of reentry of
20	individuals released from both State and Federal
21	correctional systems as well as State and Federal ju-
22	venile justice systems, and shall include—
23	(A) an assessment of the reentry burdens
24	borne by local communities and local law en-
25	forcement agencies:

- 1 (B) a review of the resources available in 2 such communities to support successful reentry, 3 including resources provided by State, local, 4 and Federal governments, the extent to which 5 those resources are used effectively; and
 - (C) recommendations to strengthen the resources in such communities available to support successful reentry and to lessen the burden placed on such communities by the need to support reentry.
- 11 (c) Facilitating Reentry Assistance to Vet-12 erans.—
 - (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 2 months after the date of the commencement of a prisoner's sentence pursuant to section 3585(a) of title 18, United States Code, the Director of the Bureau of Prisons shall notify the Secretary of Veterans Affairs and the Secretary of Labor if the prisoner's presentence report, prepared pursuant to section 3552 of title 18, United States Code, indicates that the prisoner has previously served in the Armed Forces of the United States or if the prisoner has so notified the Bureau of Prisons.
 - (2) Post-commencement notice.—If the prisoner informs the Bureau of Prisons of the pris-

- oner's prior service in the Armed Forces of the
 United States after the commencement of the prisoner's sentence, the Director of the Bureau of Prisons shall notify the Secretary of Veterans Affairs
 and the Secretary of Labor not later than 2 months
 after the date on which the prisoner provides such
 notice.
- 9 vided by the Director of the Bureau of Prisons to
 10 the Secretary of Veterans Affairs and the Secretary
 11 of Labor under this subsection shall include the
 12 identity of the prisoner, the facility in which the
 13 prisoner is located, the prisoner's offense of conviction, and the length of the prisoner's sentence.
 - (4) Access to VA and Dol.—The Bureau of Prisons shall provide the Department of Veterans Affairs and the Department of Labor with reasonable access to any prisoner who has previously served in the Armed Forces of the United States for purposes of facilitating that prisoner's reentry.

21 SEC. 107. PAROLE FOR JUVENILES.

- 22 (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 403 of title 18, United 23 States Code, is amended by inserting after section 5032
- 24 the following:

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1	" \S 5032A. Modification of an imposed term of impris-
2	onment for violations of law committed
3	prior to age 18
4	"(a) In General.—Notwithstanding any other pro-
5	vision of law, a court may reduce a term of life imprison-
6	ment imposed upon a defendant convicted as an adult for
7	an offense committed and completed before the defendant
8	attained 18 years of age if—
9	"(1) the defendant has served 30 years in cus-
10	tody for the offense; and
11	"(2) the court finds, after considering the fac-
12	tors set forth in subsection (c), that the defendant
13	is not a danger to the safety of any person or the
14	community and that the interests of justice warrant
15	a sentence modification.
16	"(b) Supervised Release.—Any defendant whose
17	sentence is reduced pursuant to subsection (a) shall be or-
18	dered to serve a period of supervised release of not less
19	than 5 years following release from imprisonment. The
20	conditions of supervised release and any modification or
21	revocation of the term of supervise release shall be in ac-
22	cordance with section 3583.
23	"(c) Factors and Information To Be Consid-
24	ERED IN DETERMINING WHETHER TO MODIFY A TERM
25	OF IMPRISONMENT.—The court, in determining whether

1	to reduce a term of imprisonment pursuant to subsection
2	(a), shall consider—
3	"(1) the factors described in section 3553(a),
4	including the nature of the offense and the history
5	and characteristics of the defendant;
6	"(2) the age of the defendant at the time of the
7	offense;
8	"(3) a report and recommendation of the Bu-
9	reau of Prisons, including information on whether
10	the defendant has substantially complied with the
11	rules of each institution to which the defendant has
12	been confined and whether the defendant has com-
13	pleted any educational, vocational, or other prison
14	program, where available;
15	"(4) a report and recommendation of the
16	United States attorney for any district in which an
17	offense for which the defendant is imprisoned was
18	prosecuted;
19	"(5) whether the defendant has demonstrated
20	maturity, rehabilitation, and a fitness to reenter so-
21	ciety sufficient to justify a sentence reduction;
22	"(6) any statement, which may be presented
23	orally or otherwise, by any victim of an offense for
24	which the defendant is imprisoned or by a family

member of the victim if the victim is deceased;

1	"(7) any report of physical, mental, or psy-
2	chiatric examination of the defendant conducted by
3	a licensed health care professional;
4	"(8) the family and community circumstances
5	of the defendant at the time of the offense, including
6	any history of abuse, trauma, or involvement in the
7	child welfare system;
8	"(9) the extent of the role of the defendant in
9	the offense and whether, and to what extent, an
10	adult was involved in the offense;
11	"(10) the diminished culpability of juveniles as
12	compared to that of adults, and the hallmark fea-
13	tures of youth, including immaturity, impetuosity,
14	and failure to appreciate risks and consequences
15	which counsel against sentencing them to the other-
16	wise applicable term of imprisonment;
17	"(11) input from local law enforcement authori-
18	ties regarding prior conduct and any other relevant
19	information; and
20	"(12) any other information the court deter-
21	mines relevant to the decision of the court.
22	"(d) Limitation on Applications Pursuant to
23	THIS SECTION.—
24	"(1) SECOND APPLICATION.—Not earlier than
25	5 years after the date on which an order entered by

1	a court on an initial application under this section
2	becomes final, a court shall entertain a second appli-
3	cation by the same defendant under this section.
4	"(2) Final application.—Not earlier than 5
5	years after the date on which an order entered by
6	a court on a second application under paragraph (1)
7	becomes final, a court shall entertain a final applica-
8	tion by the same defendant under this section.
9	"(3) Prohibition.—A court may not entertain
10	an application filed after an application filed under
11	paragraph (2) by the same defendant.
12	"(e) Procedures.—
13	"(1) Notice.—The Bureau of Prisons shall
14	provide written notice of this section to—
15	"(A) any defendant who has served 19
16	years in prison for an offense committed and
17	completed before the defendant attained 18
18	years of age for which the defendant was con-
19	victed as an adult; and
20	"(B) the sentencing court, the United
21	States attorney, and the Federal Public De-
22	fender or Executive Director of the Community
23	Defender Organization for the judicial district
24	in which the sentence described in subpara-

graph (A) was imposed.

1	"(2) Crime victims rights.—Upon receiving
2	notice under paragraph (1), the United States attor-
3	ney shall provide any notifications required under
4	section 3771.
5	"(3) Application.—
6	"(A) In general.—An application for a
7	sentence reduction under this section shall be
8	filed as a motion to reduce the sentence of the
9	defendant and may include affidavits or other
10	written material.
11	"(B) REQUIREMENT.—A motion to reduce
12	a sentence under this section shall be filed with
13	the sentencing court and a copy shall be served
14	on the United States attorney for the judicial
15	district in which the sentence was imposed.
16	"(4) Expanding the record; hearing.—
17	"(A) EXPANDING THE RECORD.—After the
18	filing of a motion to reduce a sentence under
19	this section, the court may direct the parties to
20	expand the record by submitting additional
21	written materials relating to the motion.
22	"(B) Hearing.—
23	"(i) In General.—The court shall
24	conduct a hearing on the motion, at which
25	the defendant and counsel for the defend-

1	ant shall be given the opportunity to be
2	heard.
3	"(ii) EVIDENCE.—In a hearing under
4	this section, the court may allow for par-
5	ties to present evidence.
6	"(iii) Defendant's presence.—At
7	a hearing under this section, the defendant
8	shall be present unless the defendant
9	waives the right to be present. The re-
10	quirement under this clause may be satis-
11	fied by the defendant appearing by video
12	teleconference.
13	"(iv) Counsel.—A defendant who is
14	unable to obtain counsel is entitled to have
15	counsel appointed to represent the defend-
16	ant for proceedings under this section, in-
17	cluding any appeal, unless the defendant
18	waives the right to counsel.
19	"(v) FINDINGS.—The court shall state
20	in open court, and file in writing, the rea-
21	sons for granting or denying a motion
22	under this section.
23	"(C) Appeal.—The Government or the
24	defendant may file a notice of appeal in the dis-
25	trict court for review of a final order under this

1	section. The time limit for filing such appeal
2	shall be governed by rule 4(a) of the Federal
3	Rules of Appellate Procedure.
4	"(f) Educational and Rehabilitative Pro-
5	GRAMS.—A defendant who is convicted and sentenced as
6	an adult for an offense committed and completed before
7	the defendant attained 18 years of age may not be de-
8	prived of any educational, training, or rehabilitative pro-
9	gram that is otherwise available to the general prison pop-
10	ulation.".
11	(b) Table of Sections.—The table of sections for
12	chapter 403 of title 18, United States Code, is amended
13	by inserting after the item relating to section 5032 the
14	following:
	"5032A. Modification of an imposed term of imprisonment for violations of law committed prior to age 18 .".
15	(c) APPLICABILITY.—The amendments made by this
16	section shall apply to any conviction entered before, on,
17	or after the date of enactment of this Act.
18	SEC. 108. COMPASSIONATE RELEASE INITIATIVE.
19	Section 231(g) of the Second Chance Act of 2007 (34
20	U.S.C. 60541(g)) is amended—
21	(1) in paragraph (1)—
22	(A) by inserting "and eligible terminally ill
23	offenders" after "elderly offenders" each place
24	that term appears; and

1	(B) in subparagraph (B), by inserting ",
2	upon written request from either the Bureau of
3	Prisons or an eligible elderly offender or eligible
4	terminally ill offender" after "to home deten-
5	tion";
6	(2) in paragraph (2), by inserting "or eligible
7	terminally ill offender" after "elderly offender";
8	(3) in paragraph (3), by striking "and shall be
9	carried out during fiscal years 2009 and 2010";
10	(4) in paragraph (4)—
11	(A) by inserting "or eligible terminally ill
12	offender" after "each eligible elderly offender";
13	and
14	(B) by inserting "and eligible terminally ill
15	offenders" after "eligible elderly offenders";
16	and
17	(5) in paragraph (5)—
18	(A) in subparagraph (A)—
19	(i) in clause (i), by striking "65
20	years" and inserting "60 years"; and
21	(ii) in clause (ii)—
22	(I) by striking "the greater of 10
23	years or"; and
24	(II) by striking "75 percent" and
25	inserting "2/3": and

1	(B) by adding at the end the following:
2	"(D) ELIGIBLE TERMINALLY ILL OF-
3	FENDER.—The term 'eligible terminally ill of-
4	fender' means an offender in the custody of the
5	Bureau of Prisons who—
6	"(i) is serving a term of imprisonment
7	based on conviction for an offense or of-
8	fenses that do not include any crime of vio-
9	lence (as defined in section 16 of title 18,
10	United States Code), sex offense (as de-
11	fined in section 111(5) of the Sex Offender
12	Registration and Notification Act (34
13	U.S.C. 20911(5))), offense described in
14	section 2332b(g)(5)(B) of title 18, United
15	States Code, or offense under chapter 37
16	of title 18, United States Code;
17	"(ii) satisfies the criteria specified in
18	clauses (iii) through (vii) of subparagraph
19	(A); and
20	"(iii) has been determined by a med-
21	ical doctor approved by the Bureau of
22	Prisons to be—
23	"(I) in need of care at a nursing
24	home, intermediate care facility, or
25	assisted living facility, as those terms

1	are defined in section 232 of the Na-
2	tional Housing Act (12 U.S.C.
3	1715w); or
4	"(II) diagnosed with a terminal
5	illness.".
6	TITLE II—BUREAU OF PRISONS
7	SECURE FIREARMS STORAGE
8	SEC. 201. SHORT TITLE.
9	This title may be cited as the "Lieutenant Osvaldo
10	Albarati Correctional Officer Self-Protection Act of
11	2017".
12	SEC. 202. FINDINGS.
13	Congress finds that—
14	(1) the Law Enforcement Officers Safety Act of
15	2004 (Public Law 108–277; 118 Stat. 865) gives
16	certain law enforcement officers, including certain
17	correctional officers of the Bureau of Prisons, the
18	right to carry a concealed firearm in all 50 States
19	for self-protection;
20	(2) the purpose of that Act is to allow certain
21	law enforcement officers to protect themselves while
22	off duty;
23	(3) correctional officers of the Bureau of Pris-
24	ons have been the targets of assaults and murders
25	while off duty: and

1	(4) while that Act allows certain law enforce-
2	ment officers to protect themselves off duty, the Di-
3	rector of the Bureau of Prisons allows correctional
4	officers of the Bureau of Prisons to securely store
5	personal firearms at only 33 Federal penal and cor-
6	rectional institutions while at work.
7	SEC. 203. SECURE FIREARMS STORAGE.
8	(a) In General.—Chapter 303 of title 18, United
9	States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-
10	lowing:
11	"§ 4050. Secure firearms storage
12	"(a) Definitions.—In this section—
13	"(1) the term 'employee' means a qualified law
14	enforcement officer employed by the Bureau of Pris-
15	ons; and
16	"(2) the terms 'firearm' and 'qualified law en-
17	forcement officer' have the meanings given those
18	terms in section 926B.
19	"(b) Secure Firearms Storage.—The Director of
20	the Bureau of Prisons shall ensure that each chief execu-
21	tive officer of a Federal penal or correctional institution—
22	"(1)(A) provides a secure storage area located
23	outside of the secure perimeter of the institution for
24	employees to store firearms; or

1	"(B) allows employees to store firearms in a ve-
2	hicle lockbox approved by the Director of the Bureau
3	of Prisons; and
4	"(2) notwithstanding any other provision of
5	law, allows employees to carry concealed firearms on
6	the premises outside of the secure perimeter of the
7	institution.".
8	(b) Technical and Conforming Amendment.—
9	The table of sections for chapter 303 of title 18, United
10	States Code, as amended by this Act, is further amended
11	by adding at the end the following:
	"4050. Secure firearms storage.".
12	TITLE III—NATIONAL CRIMINAL
13	JUSTICE COMMISSION
1314	JUSTICE COMMISSION SEC. 301. SHORT TITLE.
14	SEC. 301. SHORT TITLE.
141516	SEC. 301. SHORT TITLE. This title may be cited as the "National Criminal
141516	SEC. 301. SHORT TITLE. This title may be cited as the "National Criminal Justice Commission Act of 2017".
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14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22	SEC. 301. SHORT TITLE. This title may be cited as the "National Criminal Justice Commission Act of 2017". SEC. 302. FINDINGS. Congress finds that— (1) it is in the interest of the Nation to establish a commission to undertake a comprehensive review of the criminal justice system; (2) there has not been a comprehensive study

- 1 (3) that commission, in a span of 18 months,
 2 produced a comprehensive report entitled "The
 3 Challenge of Crime in a Free Society", which con4 tained 200 specific recommendations on all aspects
 5 of the criminal justice system involving Federal,
 6 State, tribal, and local governments, civic organiza7 tions, religious institutions, business groups, and in8 dividual citizens; and
- 9 (4) developments over the intervening 50 years 10 require once again that Federal, State, tribal, and 11 local governments, law enforcement agencies, includ-12 ing rank and file officers, civil rights organizations, 13 community-based organization leaders, civic organi-14 zations, religious institutions, business groups, and 15 individual citizens come together to review evidence 16 and consider how to improve the criminal justice 17 system.

18 SEC. 303. ESTABLISHMENT OF COMMISSION.

- 19 There is established a commission to be known as the
- 20 "National Criminal Justice Commission" (referred to in
- 21 this title as the "Commission").

22 SEC. 304. PURPOSE OF THE COMMISSION.

- The Commission shall—
- 24 (1) undertake a comprehensive review of the criminal justice system;

1	(2) make recommendations for Federal criminal
2	justice reform to the President and Congress; and
3	(3) disseminate findings and supplemental guid-
4	ance to the Federal Government, as well as to State,
5	local, and tribal governments.
6	SEC. 305. REVIEW, RECOMMENDATIONS, AND REPORT.
7	(a) General Review.—The Commission shall un-
8	dertake a comprehensive review of all areas of the criminal
9	justice system, including Federal, State, local, and tribal
10	governments' criminal justice costs, practices, and policies.
11	(b) RECOMMENDATIONS.—
12	(1) In general.—Not later than 18 months
13	after the first meeting of the Commission, the Com-
14	mission shall submit to the President and Congress
15	recommendations for changes in Federal oversight,
16	policies, practices, and laws designed to prevent,
17	deter, and reduce crime and violence, reduce recidi-
18	vism, improve cost-effectiveness, and ensure the in-
19	terests of justice at every step of the criminal justice
20	system.
21	(2) Unanimous consent required.—A rec-
22	ommendation of the Commission may be adopted
23	and submitted under paragraph (1) if the rec-

ommendation is approved by a unanimous vote of

- the Commissioners at a meeting where a quorum is present pursuant to section 306(d).
 - (3) Requirement.—The recommendations submitted under this subsection shall be made available to the public.

(c) Report.—

- (1) In General.—Not later than 18 months after the first meeting of the Commission, the Commission shall also disseminate to the Federal Government, as well as to State, local, and tribal governments, a report that details the findings and supplemental guidance of the Commission regarding the criminal justice system at all levels of government.
- (2) Majority vote Required.—Commission findings and supplemental guidance may be adopted and included in the report required under paragraph (1) if the findings or guidance is approved by a majority vote of the Commissioners at a meeting where a quorum is present pursuant to section 306(d), except that any Commissioners dissenting from particular findings or supplemental guidance shall have the right to state the reason for their dissent in writing and such dissent shall be included in the report of the Commission.

1	(3) REQUIREMENT.—The report submitted
2	under this subsection shall be made available to the
3	public.
4	(d) Prior Commissions.—The Commission shall
5	take into consideration the work of prior relevant commis-
6	sions in conducting its review.
7	(e) STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT.—In issuing its
8	recommendations and report under this section, the Com-
9	mission shall not infringe on the legitimate rights of the
10	States to determine their own criminal laws or the enforce-
11	ment of such laws.
12	(f) Public Hearings.—The Commission shall con-
13	duct public hearings in various locations around the
14	United States.
15	(g) Consultation With Government and Non-
16	GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES.—
17	(1) In General.—The Commission shall—
18	(A) closely consult with Federal, State,
19	local, and tribal government and nongovern-
20	mental leaders, including State, local, and tribal
21	law enforcement officials, including rank and
22	file officers, legislators, public health officials,
23	judges, court administrators, prosecutors, de-
24	fense counsel, victims' rights organizations, pro-
25	bation and parole officials, criminal justice

- planners, criminologists, civil rights and liberties organizations, community-based organization leaders, formerly incarcerated individuals, professional organizations, and corrections officials; and
- 6 (B) include in the final report required 7 under subsection (c) summaries of the input 8 and recommendations of these leaders.
 - (2) United States sentencing commission.—To the extent the review and recommendations required by this section relate to sentencing policies and practices for the Federal criminal justice system, the Commission shall conduct such review and make such recommendations in consultation with the United States Sentencing Commission.
- tion with the United States Sentencing Commission.

 (h) Sense of Congress, Goal of Unanimity.—

 It is the sense of the Congress that, given the national importance of the matters before the Commission, the Commission should work toward unanimously supported findings and supplemental guidance, and that unanimously supported findings and supplemental guidance should take precedence over those findings and supplemental guidance mental guidance that are not unanimously supported.

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SEC. 306. MEMBERSHIP.

2	(a) In General.—The Commission	shall	be	com-
3	posed of 14 members, as follows:			

- 4 (1) One member shall be appointed by the 5 President, who shall serve as co-chairman of the 6 Commission.
- 7 (2) One member shall be appointed by the lead-8 er of the Senate, in consultation with the leader of 9 the House of Representatives, that is a member of 10 the opposite party of the President, who shall serve 11 as co-chairman of the Commission.
 - (3) Two members shall be appointed by the senior member of the Senate leadership of the Democratic Party, in consultation with the Democratic leadership of the Committee on the Judiciary.
 - (4) Two members shall be appointed by the senior member of the Senate leadership of the Republican Party, in consultation with the Republican leadership of the Committee on the Judiciary.
 - (5) Two members shall be appointed by the senior member of the leadership of the House of Representatives of the Republican Party, in consultation with the Republican leadership of the Committee on the Judiciary.
- 25 (6) Two members shall be appointed by the sen-26 ior member of the leadership of the House of Rep-

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- resentatives of the Democratic Party, in consultation with the Democratic leadership of the Committee on the Judiciary.
 - (7) Two members, who shall be State and local representatives, shall be appointed by the President in agreement with the leader of the Senate (majority or minority leader, as the case may be) of the Republican Party and the leader of the House of Representatives (majority or minority leader, as the case may be) of the Republican Party.
 - (8) Two members, who shall be State and local representatives, shall be appointed by the President in agreement with the leader of the Senate (majority or minority leader, as the case may be) of the Democratic Party and the leader of the House of Representatives (majority or minority leader, as the case may be) of the Democratic Party.

(b) Membership.—

(1) QUALIFICATIONS.—The individuals appointed from private life as members of the Commission shall be individuals with distinguished reputations for integrity and nonpartisanship who are nationally recognized for expertise, knowledge, or experience in such relevant areas as—

(A) law enforcement;

1	(B) criminal justice;
2	(C) national security;
3	(D) prison and jail administration;
4	(E) prisoner reentry;
5	(F) public health, including physical and
6	sexual victimization, drug addiction and mental
7	health;
8	(G) victims' rights;
9	(H) civil rights;
10	(I) civil liberties;
11	(J) court administration;
12	(K) social services; and
13	(L) State, local, and tribal government.
14	(2) Disqualification.—An individual shall
15	not be appointed as a member of the Commission if
16	such individual possesses any personal financial in-
17	terest in the discharge of any of the duties of the
18	Commission.
19	(3) Terms.—Members shall be appointed for
20	the life of the Commission.
21	(c) APPOINTMENT; FIRST MEETING.—
22	(1) Appointment.—Members of the Commis-
23	sion shall be appointed not later than 45 days after
24	the date of the enactment of this Act

- 1 (2) FIRST MEETING.—The Commission shall
 2 hold its first meeting on the date that is 60 days
 3 after the date of enactment of this Act, or not later
 4 than 30 days after the date on which funds are
 5 made available for the Commission, whichever is
 6 later.
 - (3) ETHICS.—At the first meeting of the Commission, the Commission shall draft appropriate ethics guidelines for commissioners and staff, including guidelines relating to conflict of interest and financial disclosure. The Commission shall consult with the Senate and House Committees on the Judiciary as a part of drafting the guidelines and furnish the committees with a copy of the completed guidelines.

(d) Meetings; Quorum; Vacancies.—

- (1) MEETINGS.—The Commission shall meet at the call of the co-chairs or a majority of its members.
- (2) Quorum.—Eight members of the Commission shall constitute a quorum for purposes of conducting business, except that 2 members of the Commission shall constitute a quorum for purposes of receiving testimony.
- 24 (3) VACANCIES.—Any vacancy in the Commis-25 sion shall not affect its powers, but shall be filled in

the same manner in which the original appointment 1 2 was made. If vacancies in the Commission occur on 3 any day after 45 days after the date of the enact-4 ment of this Act, a quorum shall consist of a major-5 ity of the members of the Commission as of such 6 day, so long as not less than 1 Commission member 7 chosen by a member of each party, Republican and 8 Democratic, is present. 9 (e) ACTIONS OF COMMISSION.— (1) In General.—The Commission— 10 11 (A) shall, subject to the requirements of 12 section 305, act by resolution agreed to by a 13 majority of the members of the Commission 14 voting and present; and 15 (B) may establish panels composed of less 16 than the full membership of the Commission for 17 purposes of carrying out the duties of the Com-18 mission under this title— 19 (i) which shall be subject to the review 20 and control of the Commission; and 21 (ii) any findings and determinations 22 made by such a panel shall not be consid-23 ered the findings and determinations of the 24 Commission unless approved by the Com-25 mission.

1 (2) DELEGATION.—Any member, agent, or staff 2 of the Commission may, if authorized by the co-3 chairs of the Commission, take any action which the 4 Commission is authorized to take pursuant to this 5 title.

6 SEC. 307. ADMINISTRATION.

(a) Staff.—

- (1) EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR.—The Commission shall have a staff headed by an Executive Director.

 The Executive Director shall be paid at a rate established for the Certified Plan pay level for the Senior Executive Service under section 5382 of title 5, United States Code.
 - (2) APPOINTMENT AND COMPENSATION.—The co-chairs of the Commission shall designate and fix the compensation of the Executive Director and, in accordance with rules agreed upon by the Commission, may appoint and fix the compensation of such other personnel as may be necessary to enable the Commission to carry out its functions, without regard to the provisions of title 5, United States Code, governing appointments in the competitive service, and without regard to the provisions of chapter 51 and subchapter III of chapter 53 of such title relating to classification and General Schedule pay rates,

except that no rate of pay fixed under this subsection may exceed the equivalent of that payable for a position at level V of the Executive Schedule under section 5316 of title 5, United States Code.

(3) Personnel as federal employees.—

- (A) IN GENERAL.—The Executive Director and any personnel of the Commission who are employees shall be employees under section 2105 of title 5, United States Code, for purposes of chapters 63, 81, 83, 84, 85, 87, 89, and 90 of that title.
- (B) Members of commission.—Subparagraph (A) shall not be construed to apply to members of the Commission.
- (4) The compensation of commissioners.— Each member of the Commission may be compensated at not to exceed the daily equivalent of the annual rate of basic pay in effect for a position at level V of the Executive Schedule under section 5315 of title 5, United States Code, for each day during which that member is engaged in the actual performance of the duties of the Commission. All members of the Commission who are officers or employees of the United States, State, or local government

- shall serve without compensation in addition to that received for their services as officers or employees.
- their homes or regular places of business in the performance of services for the Commission, members of the Commission shall be allowed travel expenses, including per diem in lieu of subsistence, in the same manner as persons employed intermittently in the Government service are allowed expenses under section 5703(b) of title 5, United States Code.
- 11 (b) EXPERTS AND CONSULTANTS.—With the ap-12 proval of the Commission, the Executive Director may 13 procure temporary and intermittent services under section 14 3109(b) of title 5, United States Code.
- 15 (c) Detail of Government Employees.—Upon 16 the request of the Commission, the head of any Federal 17 agency may detail, without reimbursement, any of the per-18 sonnel of such agency to the Commission to assist in car-19 rying out the duties of the Commission. Any such detail 20 shall not interrupt or otherwise affect the civil service sta-21 tus or privileges of the Federal employee.
- 22 (d) OTHER RESOURCES.—The Commission shall 23 have reasonable access to materials, resources, statistical 24 data, and other information such Commission determines 25 to be necessary to carry out its duties from the Library

- 1 of Congress, the Department of Justice, the Office of Na-
- 2 tional Drug Control Policy, the Department of State, and
- 3 other agencies of the executive and legislative branches of
- 4 the Federal Government. The co-chairs of the Commission
- 5 shall make requests for such access in writing when nec-
- 6 essary.
- 7 (e) VOLUNTEER SERVICES.—Notwithstanding the
- 8 provisions of section 1342 of title 31, United States Code,
- 9 the Commission is authorized to accept and utilize the
- 10 services of volunteers serving without compensation. The
- 11 Commission may reimburse such volunteers for local travel
- 12 and office supplies, and for other travel expenses, includ-
- 13 ing per diem in lieu of subsistence, as authorized by sec-
- 14 tion 5703 of title 5, United States Code. A person pro-
- 15 viding volunteer services to the Commission shall be con-
- 16 sidered an employee of the Federal Government in per-
- 17 formance of those services for the purposes of chapter 81
- 18 of title 5, United States Code, relating to compensation
- 19 for work-related injuries, chapter 171 of title 28, United
- 20 States Code, relating to tort claims, and chapter 11 of
- 21 title 18, United States Code, relating to conflicts of inter-
- 22 est.
- 23 (f) Obtaining Official Data.—The Commission
- 24 may secure directly from any agency of the United States
- 25 information necessary to enable it to carry out this title.

- 1 Upon the request of the co-chairs of the Commission, the
- 2 head of that department or agency shall furnish that infor-
- 3 mation to the Commission. The Commission shall not have
- 4 access to sensitive information regarding ongoing inves-
- 5 tigations.
- 6 (g) Mails.—The Commission may use the United
- 7 States mails in the same manner and under the same con-
- 8 ditions as other departments and agencies of the United
- 9 States.
- 10 (h) Administrative Reporting.—The Commission
- 11 shall issue biannual status reports to Congress regarding
- 12 the use of resources, salaries, and all expenditures of ap-
- 13 propriated funds.
- 14 (i) Contracts.—The Commission is authorized to
- 15 enter into contracts with Federal and State agencies, pri-
- 16 vate firms, institutions, and individuals for the conduct of
- 17 activities necessary to the discharge of its duties and re-
- 18 sponsibilities. A contract, lease or other legal agreement
- 19 entered into by the Commission may not extend beyond
- 20 the date of the termination of the Commission.
- 21 (j) Gifts.—Subject to existing law, the Commission
- 22 may accept, use, and dispose of gifts or donations of serv-
- 23 ices or property.
- 24 (k) Administrative Assistance.—The Adminis-
- 25 trator of General Services shall provide to the Commis-

1	sion, on a reimbursable basis, the administrative support
2	services necessary for the Commission to carry out its re-
3	sponsibilities under this title. These administrative serv-
4	ices may include human resource management, budget,
5	leasing, accounting, and payroll services.
6	(l) Nonapplicability of FACA and Public Ac-
7	CESS TO MEETINGS AND MINUTES.—
8	(1) In General.—The Federal Advisory Com-
9	mittee Act (5 U.S.C. App.) shall not apply to the
10	Commission.
11	(2) Meetings and minutes.—
12	(A) MEETINGS.—
13	(i) Administration.—All meetings of
14	the Commission shall be open to the pub-
15	lic, except that a meeting or any portion of
16	it may be closed to the public if it concerns
17	matters or information described in section
18	552b(c) of title 5, United States Code. In-
19	terested persons shall be permitted to ap-
20	pear at open meetings and present oral or
21	written statements on the subject matter
22	of the meeting. The Commission may ad-
23	minister oaths or affirmations to any per-
24	son appearing before it.

- 1 (ii) NOTICE.—All open meetings of
 2 the Commission shall be preceded by time3 ly public notice in the Federal Register of
 4 the time, place, and subject of the meeting.
 - (B) MINUTES AND PUBLIC AVAILABILITY.—Minutes of each open meeting shall
 be kept and shall contain a record of the people
 present, a description of the discussion that occurred, and copies of all statements filed. The
 minutes and records of all open meetings and
 other documents that were made available to or
 prepared for the Commission shall be available
 for public inspection and copying at a single location in the offices of the Commission.
- 15 (m) Archiving.—Not later than the date of termi-16 nation of the Commission, all records and papers of the 17 Commission shall be delivered to the Archivist of the 18 United States for deposit in the National Archives.

19 SEC. 308. AUTHORIZATION FOR USE OF FUNDS.

For each of fiscal years 2018 and 2019, the Attorney
General may use, from any unobligated balances made
available under the heading "GENERAL ADMINISTRATION" to the Department of Justice in an appropriations
Act, such amounts as are necessary, not to exceed
\$7,000,000 per fiscal year and not to exceed \$14,000,000

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- 1 total for both fiscal years, to carry out this title, except
- 2 that none of the funds authorized to be used to carry out
- 3 this title may be used for international travel.
- 4 SEC. 309. SUNSET.
- 5 The Commission shall terminate 60 days after the
- 6 Commission submits the report required under section
- 7 305(c) to Congress.

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