



The Public Safety and Rehabilitation Act of 2016

- ✓ **Invests in proven public safety strategies** that work.
- **Authorizes parole consideration** for people with nonviolent convictions who complete the full sentence for their primary offense.
- **Encourages completion of rehabilitation and education programs** by people with nonviolent convictions by offering the possibility of earning time off for good behavior
- **Requires the Secretary of Corrections** to certify that the regulations implementing these policies protect and enhance public safety.
- **Ensure that more teenagers are tried as juveniles** by mandating that judges not prosecutors decide whether youth as young as 14 years old should be tried as adults.
- **Mandates a judge carefully review** all of the circumstances of a youth's life and the crime before making a decision on whether that young person should be denied the rehabilitation programs in the juvenile system and charged as an adult.
- ✓ **Saves taxpayer dollars** by reducing wasteful spending within our correctional system.
- ✓ **Keeps the most dangerous offenders locked up.**

Over the last several decades, California's jail and prison populations have exploded, and California now spends nearly 10% of its general fund on our prison system. We are simply spending too much taxpayer money locking up nonviolent offenders.

Today, California's prisons are under a court-ordered population cap. Without a common sense, fiscally responsible plan, the court could order the arbitrary release of prisoners. This is an unacceptable outcome that puts Californians in danger.

For this measure to win on the November ballot, we must educate the Jewish community about sentencing reform and partner with congregations of color to make sure those most affected by the measure turnout to vote.

The Public Safety and Rehabilitation Act of 2016 will improve public safety. Countless studies have shown that the more people in prison are rehabilitated, the less likely they are to re-offend. By investing in strategic rehabilitation, the initiative will protect California communities and ensure the most dangerous criminals stay locked up. You can read the complete text of the measure here [[https://www.gov.ca.gov/docs/The_Public_Safety_and_Rehabilitation_Act_of_2016_\(00266261xAEBO3\).pdf](https://www.gov.ca.gov/docs/The_Public_Safety_and_Rehabilitation_Act_of_2016_(00266261xAEBO3).pdf)]. This measure does not yet have a ballot number.