



Improving The Administration of Justice

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Dear Mr. Taub:

Alan Jackson, of your organization, has provided me with an overview of the Jail Population Analysis System, developed by your company. I want to commend you and your company for providing local governments with this useful tool. It will help them better manage crowding in their jail systems.

I am an independent management consultant with a thirty-year history of helping local governments improve the administration of justice. I am frequently called upon by the National Institute of Corrections, a division of the US Department of Justice, to provide technical assistance at the request of local governments. Jail crowding is often at the center of the many justice system problems these jurisdictions are trying to manage.

These jurisdictions uniformly lack the data analysis tools required to understand the number of admissions and length of stay of the many different types of inmates who flow through the jail system. As a result they have difficulty managing jail occupancy levels and cannot clearly explain how the jail bed resource is being used.

Jail crowding is not a problem to be solved; it is a condition to manage, and this management must be continuous. A Jail Population Analysis System provides the tool needed to maximize public safety within the resource limits of their most expensive correctional resource – the jail.

Thank you for your contribution to improvement of the administration of justice.

Robert C. Cushman