

Dear Friends,

The legislature recently enacted a criminal justice reform bill. This legislation was signed by the Governor and became effective upon passage. It passed in response to tragic events in Cheshire that exposed weaknesses in the current criminal justice system and made people question their safety. This mailer provides details of this legislation.

Taken into account were the findings of both the Legislature's Judiciary Committee and the Governor's task force, which was commissioned to examine the state's criminal justice system. The final bill was the result of work that included Democrats, Republicans and the Governor's office. It is an example of how the system should work. Politics had no place in our deliberations; the issue was much too important.

The new law will be monitored carefully in the coming months. If necessary, we will make any needed adjustments in the 2008 legislative session.

If you would like a copy of the legislation in its entirety, or would like to discuss this legislation, please contact my office.



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