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## Criminal Justice Issues and Prisoners' Rights

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Many states are facing a moment of reckoning in which the fiscal cost of past policies now threatens to affect vital state services. Thus, legislative efforts to address prison overcrowding, reform parole and probation supervision, expand drug sentencing diversion, and establish reentry assistance are playing a role in shaping the criminal justice agenda. Although legislative sessions seldom close without some penalty enhancements being added to the criminal code, the tone and focus of many state legislative bodies has demonstrably shifted and, as a result, there is increasing opportunity for reform.

This report highlights a number of important criminal justice policy developments that occurred at the state level during 2007.

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Black men born in 2001 can expect to go to prison in their lifetime

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