

Violent Crime Control and Prevention Act of 1994. The Department of Justice Fact Sheet states that the Violent Crime Control and Prevention Act of 1994 represents the bipartisan product of six years of hard work. It is the largest crime bill in the history of the country and will provide for 100,000 new police officers, \$9.7 billion in funding for prisons and \$6.1 billion in funding for prevention programs which were designed with significant input from experienced police officers. The Act also significantly expands the government's ability to deal with problems caused by criminal aliens. The Crime Bill provides \$2.6 billion in additional funding for the FBI, DEA, INS, ATF, and other Justice Department components, as well as the Federal courts and the Treasury Department. Some of the most significant provisions of the bill are summarized below:

Substantive Criminal Provisions

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Firearms Abusers and Firearms Prohibits firearms sales to and possession by persons subject to family violence restraining orders.

Firearms Licensing Establishes minimum licensing standards for firearms dealers.

Creates new insurance and telemarketing fraud categories.

Expands Federal jurisdiction to cases that do not involve the use of delivery services to commit a fraud. Provides special sentencing enhancements for fraud crimes committed against the elderly.

Crimes Provides new and stiffer penalties for violent and drug trafficking crimes committed by gang members.

Provides for enhanced penalties for alien smuggling, illegal reentry after deportation and other immigration-related crimes. (See **Immigration**).

Authorizes adult prosecution of those 13 and older charged with certain serious violent crimes. Prohibits the sale or transfer of a firearm to or possession of certain firearms by juveniles. Triples the maximum penalties for using children to distribute drugs in or near a protected zone, i.e., schools, playgrounds, video arcades and youth centers.

Registration of Sex Offenders Requires states to enact statutes or regulations which require those determined to be sexually violent predators or who are convicted of sexually violent offenses to register with appropriate state law enforcement agencies for ten years after release from prison. Requires state prison officials to notify appropriate agencies of the release of such individuals. Requires states to criminally punish those who fail to register. States which fail to establish registration systems may have Federal grant money reduced.

Sex Offenders Doubles the maximum term of imprisonment for repeat sex offenders convicted of Federal sex crimes.

Three Strikes Mandatory life imprisonment without possibility of parole for Federal offenders with three or more convictions for serious violent felonies or drug trafficking crimes.

Victims of Crime Allows victims of Federal violent and sex crimes to speak at the sentencing of their assailants.

Strengthens requirements for sex offenders and child molesters to pay

authorized in 1996-2000. Family and Community Endeavor Schools Competitive grants program administered by the Department of [REDACTED] for localities and community organizations to help improve the overall development of at-risk youth living in poor and high-crime communities. This program is for both in-school and after-school activities. \$11 million available in 1995. \$232 million authorized in 1996-2000. [REDACTED] Competitive grant program administered by the Department of [REDACTED] and Human Services to establish a National [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]. \$1 million authorized in 1995. \$2 million authorized in 1996-2000. Prevention Council Provides funding for the President's Prevention Council to coordinate new and existing crime prevention programs. \$1.5 million available in 1995. \$88.5 million authorized for competitive grants in 1996-2000. SCAAP Grants Formula grant program to reimburse states for the cost of incarcerating criminal aliens. \$130 million available in 1995. \$1.67 billion authorized in 1996-2000. [REDACTED] Against Women Formula grant program to support police and prosecutor efforts and victims services in cases involving sexual violence or domestic abuse, and for other programs which strengthen enforcement and provide services to victims in such cases. \$26 million available in 1995. \$774 million for formula grants and over \$200 million for competitive grants authorized in 1996-2000.

Grant Programs For 1996-2000 All programs available in 1995 are continued. All programs are administered by the Department of Justice unless otherwise noted. Funding for 1996-2000 is, as always, subject to appropriation by the Congress. [REDACTED] Women's Shelters Competitive grant program administered by the Department of [REDACTED] and Human Services for battered women's shelters and other domestic violence prevention activities. \$325 million authorized. [REDACTED] Improvements to Prevent Crime in [REDACTED] Parks Competitive grant program administered by the Department of Interior for states and localities for crime prevention programs in national and public parks. \$15 million authorized. Community Economic Partnership Competitive program administered by the Department of [REDACTED] and Human Services for lines of credit to community development corporations to stimulate business and employment opportunities for low-income, unemployed and underemployed individuals. \$270 million authorized. Crime Prevention Block Grants \$377 million authorized for a new [REDACTED] Crime Prevention Block Grant program to be distributed to local governments to be used as local needs dictates. Authorized programs include: anti-gang programs, sports leagues, boys and girls clubs, partnerships (triads) between the elderly and law enforcement, police partnerships for children and youth skills programs. [REDACTED] and At-Risk-Youth Competitive grant program for public or private non profit organizations to support the development and operation of projects to provide residential services to youth, aged 11 to 19, who have dropped out of school, have come into contact with the juvenile justice system or are at risk of either. \$36 million authorized. DNA [REDACTED] Competitive grant program for states and localities to develop or improve DNA identification capabilities. \$40 million authorized. An additional \$25 million is authorized to the FBI for DNA identification programs. [REDACTED] Treatment \$383 million for prison drug treatment programs, including \$270 million in formula grants for states. [REDACTED] and Prevention to Reduce Sexual [REDACTED]s Against Women Competitive

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