



Press Information

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1000's Petition to Address "Good Times"

Cranston: The "Good Times Credit Program" gained momentum in attention following the news of the possible twelve year early release of Michael Woodmansee. The monster who enraged all of Rhode Island with the brutal murder of 5 year old Jason Foreman 1975 was eligible for early release.

The first public meeting addressing a study of "Good Times" credits awarded to incarcerated individuals in Rhode Island will be held next week.

The Foreman family will be present at this meeting with a petition of 1,000's of Rhode Islander's support to repeal the current "status quo" for good time credits earned by the most heinous criminals.

Currently all RI inmates are eligible for reduction of sentences under this plan. That includes murderers, rapists, and sex offenders.

[Click Here](#) for an informational Whitepaper on the details of the Good Times Law in Rhode Island.

A Bill was introduced by Sen. Beth Moura (R - Cumberland) addressing resolve to issues surrounding "good times" in April 2011 and amendments to existing legislation in January 2011. Legislation with bi-partisan sponsorship was introduced in March of 2011 to address "good times" issues.

Rhode Island's House Judiciary Committee chose to delay any significant changes to the status of "good times" until further study was undertaken. [Click Here](#) to read the bill that created the Study Commission.

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As delays to address “good times” and early release continue, the following developments have been noted state wide.

- 1) Closure of the Donald Price Medium Security Facility at the Dept. of Corrections.
- 2) Both District and Superior Courts in RI have been glutted with re-offenders.
- 3) Millions of federal stimulus funds and state grants are being invested in re-entry programs for the formerly incarcerated, including housing, employment, and educational opportunities.
- 4) The safety of all Rhode Island Communities is being affected with the influx of a variety of criminals receiving early release.

The delay in acting on existing legislation reflects negligence on the part of our legislators. Finally the first public meeting will be held by the study group:

November 7th Monday Morning from 8am-10am
1st floor Conference Room Dept. of Labor Bldg.
Pontiac Ave. Cranston R.I.

Lack of transparency in the notification of the meetings, scheduled time, the agenda, and an obscure location for public access lead many to question the motives of the study group. To see the statutory make-up of the study commission [Click Here](#). To date it remains unclear as to who the individual members will be, as representatives from the various state agencies tasked with joining it have not been named.

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