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Subject: corrections presser - August 25 at 10 a.m.

Attachments: Gov. presentation (one page) Vermont Inmate Population (June projections E-O-FY June 04 2015).pdf

Hey all, we're putting together a corrections success story press conference for Aug. 25 at 10 a.m. I've been in touch with Andy who helped me get started on the below narrative. The Governor's hope is to lay out the goals he ran on in 2010, discuss what we've done to implement his vision, and talk about the success we've had. I think we have a good story to tell. Since I'm a relative newcomer, can you all take a look at the narrative below and add anything that seems relevant? I'll work on turning this into a press release, op-ed, etc. for the event.

GPS 2010 Promises:

- 1) Offer substance abuse programs and mental health counseling for nonviolent offenders as a way of keeping low-level criminals out of jail
- 2) Reduce out number of prisoners housed out of state
- 3) Reduce Corrections spending by \$40 million over a four-year period.

What we've done:

- 1) Expanding and funding RICC program
- 2) Funding programs like Rutland Vision and Barre Community Justice Center
- 3) [Moving the female inmates from the Northwest Correctional Facility to the Chittenden Regional Correctional Facility, and the men to the Northwest facility.](#)
- 4) [DUI courts](#)
- 5) [War of Recidivism Act](#)
- 6) Driver restoration day
- 7) Pre-trial services program

Successes:

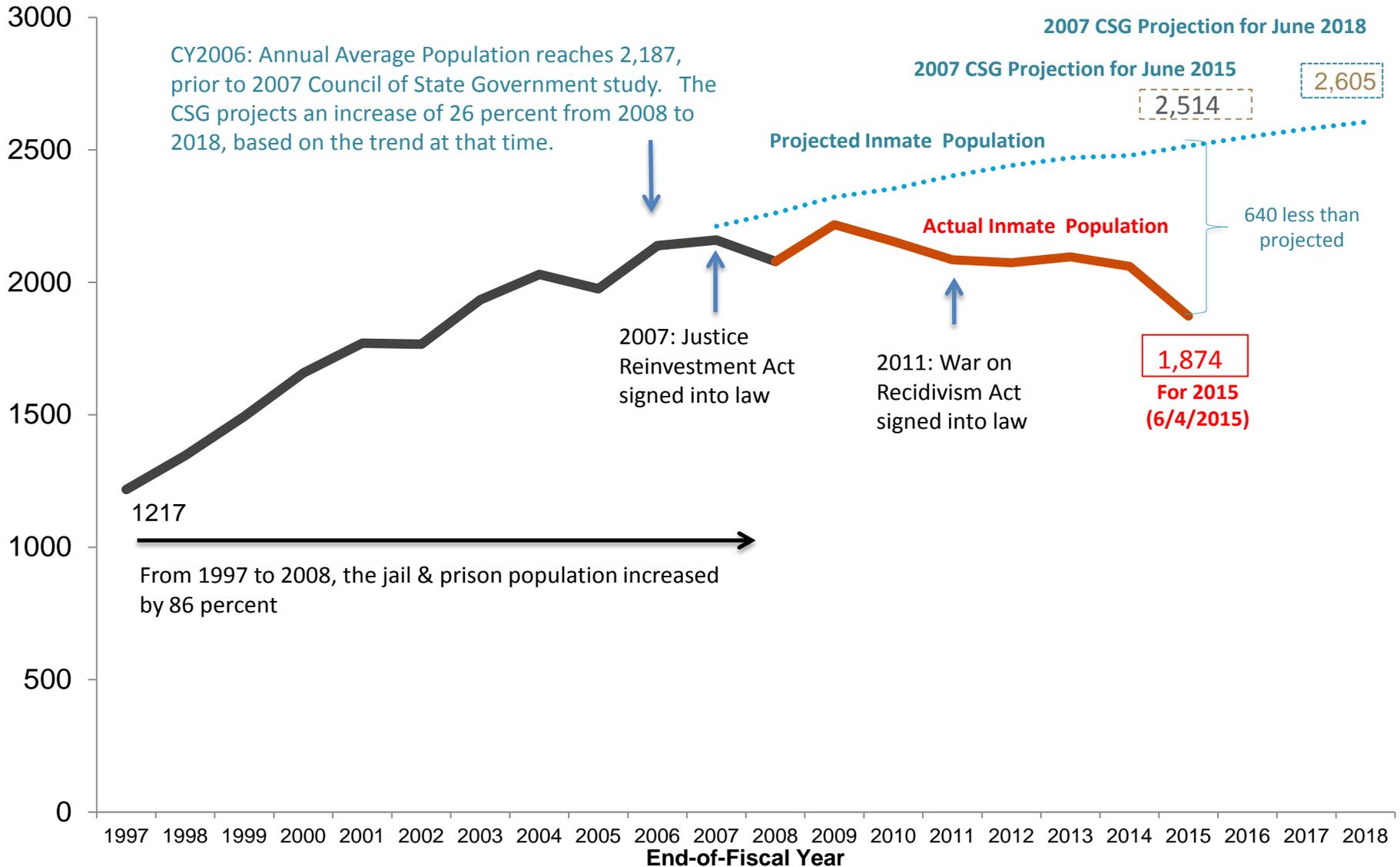
- 1) 2007 Council on State Government study projects Vermont's inmate population to reach 2,514 in June of 2015 and 2,605 in June of 2018 – As of June 2015, Vermont had 1,874 inmates, 640 less than projections (see attached chart)
- 2) Recued recidivism rate – do we have a good state on this?
- 3) Reduced corrections budget – need some good, current stats
- 4) Reduced out of state prisoner population – Can you fill in numbers from when we took office and now?

Thanks!

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Vermont Inmate Population



All years are census counts from June 30th at end of each fiscal year, except 2015 which is the census on June 4, 2015