



Bipartisan Support for Justice Reinvestment Legislation

Wide majorities in most states approved sentencing and corrections reforms

State	Vote year	Bill number	Governor and party	Senate vote	House vote
Alaska	2016	S.B. 91	Bill Walker (I)	16-2	28-11
Maryland	2016	S.B. 1005	Larry Hogan (R)	Unanimous (46-0)	123-18
Nebraska	2015	L.B. 605	Pete Ricketts (R)	Unanimous (45-0)*	
Alabama	2015	S.B. 67	Robert Bentley (R)	Unanimous (27-0)	100-5
	2012	S.B. 386		Unanimous (31-0)	Unanimous (95-0)
		S.B. 47		Unanimous (33-0)	Unanimous (93-0)
Utah	2015	H.B. 348	Gary Herbert (R)	Unanimous (23-0)	67-2
Idaho	2014	S. 1357	C.L. Butch Otter (R)	Unanimous (35-0)	Unanimous (66-0)
Mississippi	2014	H.B. 585	Phil Bryant (R)	Unanimous (50-0)	105-13 (3 voting present)
Oregon	2013	H.B. 3194	John Kitzhaber (D)	19-11	40-18
South Dakota	2013	S. 70	Dennis Daugaard (R)	31-2	63-7
West Virginia	2013	S.B. 371	Earl Ray Tomblin (D)	Unanimous (34-0)	81-17
Kansas	2013	H.B. 2170	Sam Brownback (R)	35-4	77-44
	2007	S. 14	Kathleen Sebelius (D)	Unanimous (30-0)	95-30
Missouri	2012	H.B. 1525	Jay Nixon (D)	28-2	Unanimous (151-0)
Georgia	2012	H.B. 1176	Nathan Deal (R)	Unanimous (51-0)	Unanimous (162-0)
Delaware	2012	S.B. 226	Jack Markell (D)	17-3	36-3
Pennsylvania	2012	H.B. 135	Tom Corbett (R)	Unanimous (49-0)	Unanimous (195-0)
		S. 100		Unanimous (49-0)	Unanimous (198-0)
	2008	H.B. 4	Ed Rendell (D)	48-2	195-3
		H.B. 5		Unanimous (50-0)	Unanimous (199-0)
		H.B. 6		49-1	Unanimous (199-0)
		H.B. 7		Unanimous (50-0)	196-3
Hawaii	2012	S. 2776	Neil Abercrombie (D)	Unanimous (25-0)	40-9
		H.B. 2515		Unanimous (25-0)	49-2
Oklahoma	2012	H.B. 3052	Mary Fallin (R)	39-5	71-18
Arkansas	2011	S. 750	Mike Beebe (D)	Unanimous (35-0)	79-14
Kentucky	2011	H.B. 463	Steve Beshear (D)	Unanimous (38-0)	96-1

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North Carolina	2011	H.B. 642	Beverly Perdue (D)	Unanimous (50-0)	115-1
Ohio	2011	H.B. 86	John Kasich (R)	30-3	87-9
Louisiana	2011	H.B. 415	Bobby Jindal (R)	Unanimous (37-0)	Unanimous (90-0)
		S.B. 202		Unanimous (35-0)	Unanimous (97-0)
		H.B. 416		37-2	Unanimous (93-0)
		H.B. 106		Unanimous (36-0)	Unanimous (85-0)
		H.B. 414		Unanimous (36-0)	84-2
South Carolina	2010	S. 1154	Mark Sanford (R)	Unanimous (46-0)	97-4
New Hampshire	2010	S. 500	John Lynch (D)	Voice vote	256-57
Wisconsin	2009	A.B. 75	Jim Doyle (D)	17-15	51-46
Illinois	2009	S.B. 1289	Patrick Quinn (D)	Unanimous (58-0)	98-18
Arizona	2008	S. 1476	Janet Napolitano (D)	20-4	35-18
Connecticut	2008	H.B. 5211	M. Jodi Rell (R)	Unanimous (36-0)	134-9
Rhode Island	2008	H.B. 7204	Donald Carcieri (R)	25-11	60-12
Vermont	2008	H.B. 859	Jim Douglas (R)	Unanimous (29-0)	Voice vote
Nevada	2007	A.B. 510	Jim Gibbons (R)	16-5	35-4
Texas	2007	H.B. 1	Rick Perry (R)	25-5	114-35
		S. 166		Voice vote	143-1

*Nebraska has a unicameral legislature.

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