

## MARYLAND ALLIANCE FOR JUSTICE REFORM

Working to end unnecessary incarceration and build strong, safe communities



Dear MAJR supporter:

One final, very important request. Please ask your Senator to support the House version of the Justice Reinvestment Act (**HR 1312**).

Both houses have passed versions of the bill, and now a joint committee will come up with a compromise bill and take it to the floor of the General Assembly. Your Senator can influence the committee's decisions!

The Senate version seriously cuts the savings in the original bill that would result from a lower incarceration rate and could be used to bring needed services to help prevent crimes. The House bill does a better job of preserving those savings and at the same time keeping us all safer. See **MAJR's analysis**.

If you don't know who your Senator is, go to <http://mdelect.net/>. Enter your street address and click on your Senator's name for contact information.

May every Senator's office be flooded with phone calls and emails tomorrow!  
Thanks!

Sample letter (please personalize):

Dear Senator \_\_\_\_\_:

Please support the House version of the Justice Reinvestment Act (HR 1312) so savings can be maximized. Those savings will then be available to provide needed educational, job training, addiction and mental health services as well as restorative justice programs to hold people accountable for their actions. We will all be safer, and potential or actual nonviolent offenders will be able to support their families and pay taxes.

Thank you.

[Your Name]

[Your Address]

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