



February 21, 2007

### MOTION


#### To assess the feasibility and best manner to implement certain alternative sanctions

I move to direct the County Administrator, and to request that the County Criminal Justice Commission, to assess the feasibility and best manner to implement the following alternative sanctions in order to free up additional jail space:

- Day Reporting Program – Primarily for low level and pre-trial offenders who are unable to post bond. Offenders would be required to report to the program location daily, and participate in appropriate therapy and programming. (100 Beds)
- Increased use of Drug Court beds – Residential program that administers Alcohol and Drug Addiction Partnership Treatment (ADAPT). Provides assessment and treatment services for drug offenders. (15 Beds)
- Felony Halfway House Placements – More fully utilizing existing Hamilton County halfway houses for child support offenders and those with mitigated sentences. (40 Beds)
- Residential Work Release Program – Highly structured and closely monitored placements for offenders including probation violators and those transitioning from full residential treatment. These offenders would receive the appropriate treatment and services as part of this residential program. (60 Beds)
- Step Down Program – Available to women offenders with drug/alcohol and mental health issues whose mandatory sentences require that they spend time in a jail setting. Offenders would receive the appropriate treatment and services, leaving more expensive jail beds for violent offenders. (20-30 Beds)

According to officials at Talbert House, the above mentioned alternatives have the potential to free up approximately 245 beds in the overburdened County jail system.

I further move that the County, to the extent practicable, utilize a competitive process in considering provider alternatives. A report should be made to the Board of Commissioners within 14 days, or as soon as reasonably possible.

  
Pat DeWine

Motion seconded by Mr. Pepper and adopted by the following vote:  
Mr. DeWine YES      Mr. Pepper YES      Mr. Portune YES