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CHIEF PROBATION OFFICERS, SHERIFFS, CHIEF OF POLICE, DIRECTORS OF CORRECTIONS, COUNTY BOARDS OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS, PRESIDING JUDGES OF THE SUPERIOR COURT, PRESIDING JUVENILE COURT JUDGES, COUNTY GRAND JURIES, JUVENILE JUSTICE AND DELINQUENCY PREVENTION COMMISSIONS, COUNTY HEALTH OFFICERS, JUVENILE FACILITY MANAGERS AND SUPERINTENDENTS, AND OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES.

Pursuant to the passage of AB 478, the Corrections Standards Authority (CSA) was directed to draft minimum standards relative to the care of pregnant inmates and the use of restraints on pregnant inmates. An Executive Steering Committee (ESC) participated in the development of the proposed revisions to the California Code of Regulations, Title 15 Minimum Standards for Local Detention Facilities and Local Juvenile Facilities. The ESC was comprised of members with extensive juvenile and adult detention and healthcare backgrounds. The CSA Board met on January 11, 2007, approved the proposed revisions and additions, and authorized staff to proceed with the public hearing process.

According to Government Code Section 11346.4, this announcement provides an opportunity for all interested parties to comment in writing and/or present commentary during the public hearing regarding the proposed regulations, prior to the finalization and formal adoption by the CSA Board. Official notices of the proposed regulatory action and informative digest was published on June 6, 2008 in the California Regulatory Notice Register. This letter is a summary of the official notice; attached you will find the Notices of Proposed Action for both local adult detention and juvenile facilities.

Comments, recommendations, or suggestions regarding the proposed action are encouraged. Time will be available for any person to present statements or arguments, oral or written, which are relevant to the proposed regulations at the public hearings noted below:

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

DATE	TIME	Location
MONDAY JULY 21, 2008	10:00 am	San Diego Sheriff's Department Headquarters 9621 Ridgehaven Court San Diego CA 92123

The public hearings will continue as long as there are persons to present testimony. The meeting facilities are accessible to the physically handicapped.

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## WRITTEN COMMENT PERIOD

We invite any interested person, or their authorized representative, to submit written comments relevant to the proposed regulatory action to the CSA. Included in the formal regulatory process is a 45 day written comment period. The Notice of Proposed Amendments to Titles 15 are enclosed for your information. The Notice, as well as the Initial Statements of Reasons and the strike out and underline text of the proposed regulations, can be viewed at the CSA's website: <a href="www.csa.ca.gov">www.csa.ca.gov</a>; click on the link for the 2007 Proposed Regulations Regarding Pregnant Inmates and Minors. If you do not have access to the Internet, you can submit a written request for these documents to Rebecca Craig or Ron Bertrand (contact information listed below). In addition, written comments may be submitted electronically via the Internet to the CSA (see website information above).

All written comments must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on July 21, 2008. Written comments should be directed to:

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We look forward to your input and participation in this process.

Respectfully Submitted,

C. SCOTT HARRIS, JR.

Executive Director

Enclosures