



Oppose SB 157

Odinet's 2001 Law is WORKING!

"The first legislation to address the "real" problem of repeat DWI offenders— data shows it is working, removing the most chronic DWI offenders off the road--- if anything, we should expand this law to more offenders, at earlier offenses, this law mandates treatment, and therefore gives the offender priority for treatment in a state with 1000 people on waiting lists for addiction treatment on any given day."

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--70% of those 3rd & 4th DWI offenders mandated to Treatment since 2001 remain sober-if not they go directly to jail.

--Louisiana saves \$5 for every \$1 we spend treating alcohol addiction -Dr. Loren Scott 2003 OAD/DHH Report

Voters in Louisiana want Treatment for DWI offenders- 2004 CADA Public Opinion Poll

Should DWI offenders be mandated to take education or treatment?

- 94% agree this should be required of all persons convicted of DWI.
- No demographic segment favored this by less than 85% (those under 25).
- Orleans – 93%, Jefferson – 96%, St. Bernard – 100%, Plaquemine – 94%, St. Tammany -89%.



