

# Veterans in Corrections



## Senate Select Committee on the California Correctional System

Tuesday, November 9, 2004

10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Room 4203, State Capitol, Sacramento, California

### **DRAFT AGENDA**

#### **I. Welcome**

- *Senator Gloria Romero, Chair, Select Committee on the California Correctional System*

#### **II. Veterans Incarcerated**

- *Jay Atkinson, Offender Information Branch, California Department of Corrections [to be confirmed]*
- *Michael Hersek, State Public Defender*
- *Thomas Johnson, Secretary of California Department of Veterans Affairs*
- *Chris Norton, U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs*

#### **III. The Healthcare Needs of Veterans Incarcerated**

- *Kimberly Shafer, Professor, University of California San Francisco, Hepatitis C in California Prisons Project*
- *TBD, expert on Agent Orange afflicting Veterans Incarcerated*
- *David Foy, Professor, Pepperdine University, Researcher, National Center on Post Traumatic Stress Disorder*

#### **III. Rehabilitating Veterans in Corrections**

- *Fred Gusman, National Center for PTSD, Deputy Associate Chief of Staff for Mental Health Operations for Palo Alto Healthcare Systems, Veterans Administration*
- *Matt Davison, Chair, Veterans Incarcerated Committee, Vietnow, and Director of Program at U.S. Penitentiary at Terminal Island, CA*
- *Ed Mentz, John Cheney, Vietnam Veterans Group, San Quentin State Prison*

#### **V. Re-entry and Parole Services: Preparing a Veteran for Reintegration into Society**

- *Dr. Shawn Benedict, Medical Service Coordinator, Sacramento Veterans Resource Center*

- *Michael Blecker, Executive Director, Swords to Plowshares*
- *Duffy Leahy, Incarcerated Veterans Transition Program*
- *William Waltz, Coordinator, Veterans Information Project, San Quentin State Prison [to be confirmed]*

**VI. *Public Comment***