

**MEMBER:** Commissioner Angele Davis      **PROPOSAL#** Davis #12      **REFERRED TO AG on:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**SUBJECT:** La Sentencing Commission      **DATE REPORTED BY AG:** \_\_\_\_\_      **REPORT:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**COMMISSION ACTION:** ADOPTED      **DATE:** December 8, 2009      **RECOMMENDATION #:** 238

**RECOMMENDATION:** Direct the Louisiana Sentencing Commission to complete its work and provide the Legislature with recommendations for the 2010 Regular Session that will improve public safety and be cost effective to taxpayers.

Summary Description/Nature of Change	Key/Implementation Responsibilities	Need	Action Needed	Benefit/Saving	Done/ Study
Direct the Louisiana Sentencing Commission to complete its work and provide the Legislature with recommendations for the 2010 Regular Session that will improve public safety and be cost effective to taxpayers. The Sentencing Commission should review sentencing laws and the review should include the following: (1) An evaluation of the current classification and sentencing structure of non-violent felony offenses and recommendations for sentencing alternatives, particularly with regard to long-term supervision. (59% of offenders in state custody are serving time for non-violent crimes). (2) An analysis and recommendations focused on the state's drug policies in relation to sentencing guidelines and prison population. (78% of the prison population is serving sentences for offenses related to drug activity). (3) Recommendations on the diminution of sentence statutes-"good time statutes"- with specific proposals for legislation to make it more consistent and less complicated.	Louisiana Sentencing Commission.		Report to the Legislature.		