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The Honorable Marc Shulman, Chairperson
House Appropriations Committee
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The Honorable Harry Gast, Chairperson
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Gentlemen:

Section 1007 of Public Act 237 of 2000, requires the Department of Corrections (DOC) to list the number of meritorious and nonmeritorious lawsuits against the Department. The DOC received 434 lawsuits during Fiscal Year 2001. Of these 434 lawsuits, 87 were nonmeritorious. There were no meritorious cases. There are 347 cases remaining open as of September 30, 2001.

Section 215 of Public Act 237 of 2000, requires the DOC to report the amount of savings realized through the consolidation of special alternative incarceration line items and of facility line items. For appropriation year 2001, there were no savings from the consolidation of accounts. All consolidated appropriations had expenditures greater than in appropriation year 2000.

This information may also be located on the DOC website at:

<http://www.state.mi.us/mdoc/publication/publication.html>

If you have any questions, please let me know.

Sincerely,

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