

CONFERENCE OF STATE COURT ADMINISTRATORS

Resolution III

In Support of the Interstate Compact on Adult Offender Supervision

WHEREAS, state courts play an indispensable role in the criminal justice system and promote offender accountability and public safety; and

WHEREAS, the Conference of State Court Administrators recognizes the important role state courts play in the administration of probation systems as a means of ensuring offender accountability and public safety; and

WHEREAS, the Conference also recognizes that in this age of great travel upwards of 250,000 adult offenders cross state lines annually and must be properly supervised by officials in receiving states; and

WHEREAS, the Conference further recognizes a need for a coordinated policy to provide guidance to judicial officers in both sending states and receiving and to ensure the controlled movement of offenders between states; and

WHEREAS, the Conference further recognizes that the existing interstate compact for adult offender supervision and accompanying rules have not been substantially updated in over sixty years; and

WHEREAS, a new interstate compact for adult offender supervision has been written with input from representatives of COSCA, has been adopted in nine states in its first year of circulation, and is likely to be adopted by the requisite number of thirty-five states within two years;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Conference supports the revised Interstate Compact on Adult Offender Supervision and encourages each state's judiciary to initiate educational programs for judicial officers and court officials to ensure compliance with the Compact and its rule and to promote offender accountability, regardless of whereabouts, and public safety.

Adopted as proposed at the Twenty-second Midyear Meeting of the Conference of State Court Administrators in Phoenix, Arizona on December 8, 2000.