

**PETITION TO THE HON. GOV. THOMAS CORBETT FOR
RECONSIDERATION OF HIS DECISION TO CANCEL 2010 APPROVED SCI
GERMAN TOWNSHIP, FAYETTE COUNTY PRISON BASED ON
INFORMATION IN ERROR AND LACK OF CONCERN FOR DISTRESSED
ECONOMIC REGION IN NEED OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND JOBS
FOR THE CITIZENS OF PENNSYLVANIA**

- I. Whereas, the citizens of Pennsylvania choose to challenge the veracity of Gov. Thomas Corbett's and appointee Secretary of Corrections John Wetzel's decision to cancel the previously approved prison to be built in German Township, Fayette County.
- II. Whereas, the Commonwealth is constructing Corrections facilities totaling \$576 million near State College and Philadelphia, where unemployment is low and the economies are strong.
- III. Whereas, the Commonwealth has no immediate ability to return the 1,005 inmates currently housed in Virginia at a cost of \$62/day or \$22,743,150 per year.
- IV. Whereas, beginning November 2011, county judges will be mandated to assign certain criminals with sentences of 2 years or longer to the state corrections system, thus increasing Pennsylvania's prison population.
- V. Whereas, Gov. Thomas Corbett and appointee Secretary of Corrections Wetzel are in direct opposition to proven corrections policy in their assertions that it is more conducive to their rehabilitation to house inmates near their families, friends and associates.
- VI. Whereas, Gov. Thomas Corbett and appointee Secretary of Corrections Wetzel made the decision based on wrong information that the property in German Township was contaminated due to its use as a salvage yard. (The current site, previously tested and approved with state funding, had no junkyard on it, ever.)

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