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To Reduce Crime & Incarceration

Statement from Law Enforcement Leaders to Reduce Crime & Incarceration on Senate Joint Resolution 47

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Rosemary Nidiry, senior counsel for Law Enforcement Leaders to Reduce Crime and Incarceration and a former federal prosecutor, had the following comment in response to Senate Joint Resolution [47](#), introduced last week by Senator Marsha Blackburn (R-Tenn.).

“This resolution doesn’t make sense from a public safety standpoint. If this effort succeeds, thousands of people who pose no threat to public safety would be returned to prison from home confinement.

“During the pandemic, the Bureau of Prisons selected more than 12,000 people at low risk of recidivism from the federal prison population and allowed them to serve the rest of their sentences from home. [Less than one percent](#) of them have been charged with a new crime. It would be foolish to now send all of those who are still serving their sentence of home confinement, roughly 3,000 people, back to prison since the vast majority of them have been reunited with their families and loved ones and successfully reintegrated into their communities.

“As law enforcement officials, we see the success of the home confinement program as further proof that we can reduce prison populations safely, without increasing crime. We urge the Senate to vote down this resolution.”