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Please do not support any changes to public defense.

Do support additional funding for more public defendors as well as much needed salary increases and/or benefits.

When an offender has been arrested for their first time - that seems to be, where they need to be placed in the system in some way - or given some type of extra support. Perhaps that intervention may be the action that gets that person to change their life; be more of a productive citizen. Jail may or may not be the needed action - but something positive should be done at that time.

No action for an legal offense is not good. Folks need to learn they are responsible for their actions - and punishment is viable.

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