

Interstate Compact for Adult Offender Supervision

2019 Report to the Legislature



OUR MISSION

Reduce recidivism by promoting offender change through proven strategies during safe and secure incarceration and effective community supervision

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BACKGROUND

In March 2002, Minnesota passed statutes §243.1605, 243.1606 and 243.1607 regarding the Interstate Compact for Adult Offender Supervision (ICAOS). Minnesota statute §243.1606 established an Advisory Council on the ICAOS in Minnesota. This statute also directs the Advisory Council to report to the governor and the chairs and ranking minority members of the senate and house of representatives committees having jurisdiction over criminal justice policy by March 1 each year on its activities, along with providing a copy of the ICAOS annual report which includes the activities of the interstate commission and executive committee.

ACTIVITIES OF THE ADVISORY COUNCIL ON THE ICAOS IN MINNESOTA

Per M.S. §243.1606, the Advisory Council shall consist of the following individuals or their designee: the governor; the chief justice of the supreme court; two senators, one from the majority and the other from the minority party, selected by the Subcommittee on Committees of the senate Committee on Rules and Administration; two representatives, one from the majority and the other from the minority party, selected by the house speaker; the compact administrator, selected as provided in §243.1607; the executive director of the Center for Crime Victim Services; and additional members as appointed by the commissioner of corrections.

The 2019 membership included:

- ✓ Steve King, Chair, Mower County Court Services Director, representing county probation officers
- ✓ Suzanne Elwell, Vice-Chair, Victim's Representative;
- ✓ Honorable Richard Kyle, Minnesota Court of Appeals;
- ✓ Allen Godfrey, Interstate Commissioner, Department of Corrections (DOC);
- ✓ Vacant, Office of Governor Tim Walz;
- ✓ Kelly Kemp, Office of the Attorney General;
- ✓ Honorable Marion O'Neill, State Representative;
- ✓ Honorable Warren Limmer, Minnesota State Senate;
- ✓ Honorable Bobby Joe Champion, Minnesota State Senate;
- ✓ Honorable Raymond Dehn, State Representative
- ✓ Kathryn Richtman, Asst. Ramsey County Attorney, representing county attorneys;
- ✓ William Ward, State Public Defender, representing public defenders;
- ✓ Mr. William Hutton, representing the Minnesota Sheriffs' Association;
- ✓ Renee Brown-Goodell, community member
- ✓ Nicole Kern, representing Community Corrections Act Counties.

Advisory Council staff from the DOC included:

- ✓ Safia Khan, Office of Government and Partner Relations

The Deputy Compact Administrator for the Minnesota Department of Corrections:

- Tracy Hudrlik.

The Advisory Council first met on August 21, 2002, and continues to meet on a semi-annual basis or as needed.

The Advisory Council met on May 14, 2019 and November 19, 2019.

The primary focus of the Advisory Council in 2019 was the review of proposed rule amendments.

The Advisory Council reviewed the proposed ICAOS rule amendments during the public comment period and provided feedback regarding questions and how the proposed rules may affect Minnesota.

The Council was then informed of the outcome of the rules proposals and their effective date of April 1, 2020. The Advisory Council offered guidance in how the rule changes could be trained to staff and criminal justice partners across the state of Minnesota.

ACTIVITIES OF THE NATIONAL COMMISSION

The ICAOS National Commission is comprised of one voting member from each state party to the compact. The role of the National Commission is to exercise day-to-day oversight of the compact between states. It promulgates rules to achieve the goals of the compact and ensures an opportunity for input and timely notice to victims and jurisdictions where defined offenders are authorized to relocate across state lines. The Commission established a system of uniform data collection (ICOTS), which provides access to information on active cases by authorized criminal justice officials. It coordinates regular reporting of compact activities to heads of state advisory councils, state executive/judicial/legislative branches, and criminal justice administrators. The Commission also monitors compliance with rules governing interstate movement of offenders, initiates interventions to address and correct noncompliance, and coordinates training and education regarding regulations of interstate movement of offenders for officials involved in such activity.

The National Commission is required to submit an annual report on the activities of the Commission. The current annual report (FY 2019), as well as past reports and newsletters regarding the National Commission's activities, can be found on the ICAOS site.

OFFENDER MOVEMENT AS REPORTED IN ICOTS:

	Probation	Parole	Both
Number of offenders under supervision in Minnesota from other states on June 30, 2019	1465	361	42
Number of Minnesota offenders under supervision in other states on June 30, 2019	2741	388	3

SUMMARY

The Advisory Council has been in place for 17 years and continues to meet as needed to address issues that arise regarding the ICAOS. The Advisory Council has an active membership, with well attended meetings.