



# Who's the prisoner here?

## **Correctional Officers at the ACI are stuck between a rock and a hard place.**

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We're forced to work 16-hour days – double shifts – or face disciplinary action, even suspension! Unlike voluntary overtime, this mandatory overtime comes with no advance notice. We call it being “frozen in.”

## **Put yourself in our shoes.**

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Imagine being told at the end of the day that you have to work another 8-hour shift. When do you keep your doctor appointment, or find time to be at your daughter's birthday party? How many times can you cancel your coaching commitment or skip your son's ball game? Or miss a special dinner with your spouse? It happens to Correctional Officers at the ACI, day in and day out.

## **The Director of Corrections is costing everyone.**

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The Director is a political appointee. As such, he's stuffed his department with high priced management types while ignoring the immediate need for 150 new Correctional Officers to cover the attrition of the past few years. His decisions are taking a high toll on the Correctional Officers AND the taxpayers. Personnel aside, he's squandered \$600,000 in taxpayer dollars for a private contractor to house less than a dozen female inmates – more money than is needed to train 50 new Correctional Officers and relieve some of

the burden of mandatory overtime. Moreover, the Director is paid \$140,000 a year to manage just 3,500 inmates, while the same position in California pays \$123,000 per year to manage over 160,000 inmates!

## **This isn't a union issue... it's a people issue.**

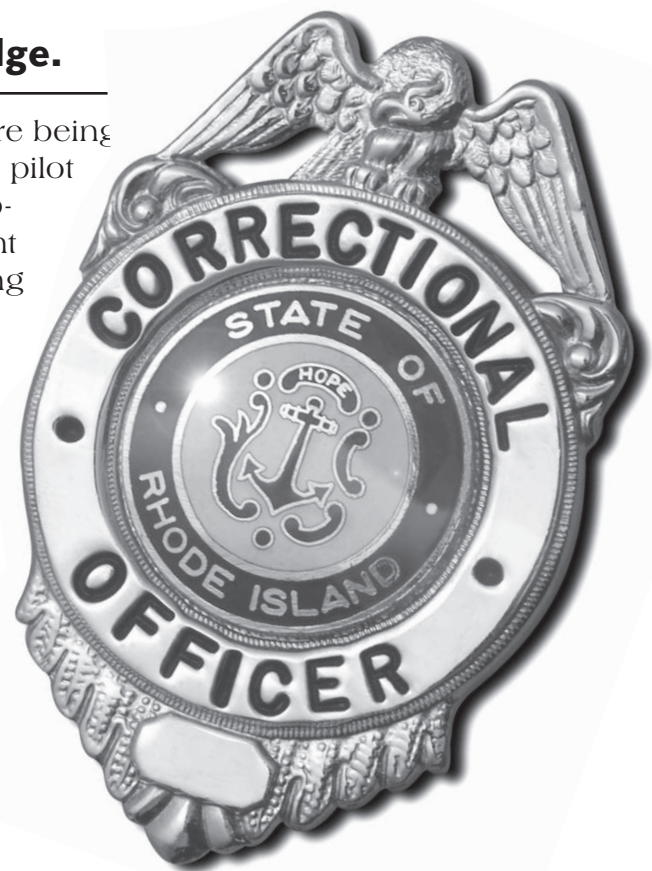
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The fact is, being a Correctional Officer is one of the toughest, most dangerous jobs in the state. How confident would YOU feel, **forced** to work the cell blocks of the ACI, over-tired and tense? It's not a safe situation for prisoners **or** Officers.

## **YOU be the judge.**

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Taxpayer dollars are being squandered on pet pilot programs; new top-heavy management positions are driving costs higher while staffing levels of Correctional Officers at the ACI are dangerously low. We thought you'd like to know what's REALLY going on. Please voice your concern.



## **RHODE ISLAND BROTHERHOOD OF CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS**

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