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Senate Bill 91 aims to use Alaska's limited criminal justice dollars in the most prudent way possible, using cost-effective, evidence based reforms. To accomplish that, the corrections system should emphasize public safety, personal responsibility, work, restitution, and treatment.

SB91 uses a number of reforms to address the Department of Corrections' biggest cost drivers: an increased length of prison sentences, non-violent offenders, probation violators, and pre-trial offenders. This can be accomplished by expanding electronic monitoring, reforming probation, and providing incentives for individuals to be productive law-abiding citizens.

SB91 is an effort to be tough on crime and criminal justice spending while holding offenders accountable and giving them a shot at redemption, restitution, personal responsibility, and productivity – a vital step towards achieving a cost-effective system that protects citizens, restores victims, and reforms wrongdoers.