

**Honorable John S. Kennedy**  
Retired Common Pleas Judge, York County

Testimony before the Joint House Judiciary and Transportation Committees:

In ten minutes, I would like to cover the need to end “catch and release “. In PA most jurisdictions are making stops and not running records or even filing charges for weeks

We know about 25% of repeat offenders will be caught again in a matter of weeks. We know that we can stop them if we Law Enforcement and the Judiciary take the time to find out “who do we have and what do they need”.

There are several programs across the nation that do this including York County’s Target 25 program. Every time a 24/7 program is established, jurisdictions see dramatic decreases in victim compensation.

Repeat offenders with high BACs need to be separated from alcohol or they are not safe. 24/7 does this.