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To Whom It May Concern:

*SUBMISSION TO AN INQUIRY INTO THE EFFICIENCY AND  
EFFECTIVENESS OF PRISONER EDUCATION, TRAINING AND  
EMPLOYMENT STRATEGIES*

I, Jan Fluck, of PO Box 476, Jurien Bay, WA (ph: 08 96521152) SUBMIT:

The system that is in place in W.A. now is not working. There is a lot of discussion about the prison system and every time a decision is made, there is another change of government and nothing is finalised. There seems to be a lot of talk and no action.

Petty offenders and traffic fine defaulters are helping to fill up prisons, when they should be out working in local communities until their fine is paid off.

Prisoners who have been released, especially if they have no family or other support, should be given the opportunity by employers to have a second chance at employment. The need for a Police Clearance can make it difficult to find a job. Employers should be recruited by the government to employ ex-prisoners, black or white, with a reference from the Dept. of Corrective Services/Parole Board and back-up. Otherwise by the end of the first week on the outside the ex-prisoner will be dirty, hungry, with no place to live, and no chance of getting a job, and he will re-offend.