Jail Minimum Standards Proposal Form

Please use this form to propose a **new** standard or guideline or a **major revision**

	Remarks / Comments / Justification
New or Revised Standard	
Working title and number if revised standard	The existing titles of 1081 CLASSIFICATION PLAN and 1082 CLASSIFICATION CATEGORIES.
Title of New Standard	Same as existing titles.
Statement on the perceived need for new or revised standard	The current standards requiring the separation of sentenced from pretrial inmates is no longer needed and should be revised to reflect current classification practices. As objective classification systems were gradually adopted by jails nationwide during the 1990's and later, most states dropped the required separation of inmates based on sentenced status in favor of factors more closely correlated to inmate risk factors and behavior. Sentence status was not included since it is not indicative of an inmate's risk to be violent or inclination to misbehave in jail. These factors are: 1. SEVERITY OF CURRENT CHARGES/CONVICTIONS 2. SERIOUS OFFENSE HISTORY 3. ESCAPE HISTORY 4. INSTITUTIONAL DISCIPLINARY HISTORY 5. PRIOR FELONY CONVICTIONS 6. ALCOHOL/DRUG ABUSE 7. STABILITY FACTORS
Proposal explanation / justification	The proposed solution is to delete the words "sentenced/non-sentenced" from 1081, delete the words "sentenced and non-sentenced inmates" from 1082(a), and delete all of 1082(b). The justification is that the separation of sentenced from pretrial is not a risk factor used by any valid classification system and very few other states still require the separation of sentenced inmates from pretrial inmates. Please see the accompanying document for more information.

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