

INCREASED PUNISHMENT

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Florida Department of Corrections Secretary Ricky Dixon made a short video which was presented to all of the prisoners in Florida in January of 2023.

In this video Secretary Dixon advised the prisoners that penalties for the violation of rules and/or state and/or federal law will be higher.

Increased time in punitive, administrative and close management confinement, greater loss of gain time and/or a new conviction and an increase in the length of time in prison.

Curiously, enough - Secretary Dixon made no comments concerning the staff who violate the rules and/or state and/or federal law by introducing illegal drugs, weapons and/or cell phones and assault, even murder, prisoners with impunity.

My personal take on Secretary Dixon's little show?
Secretary Dixon has seen the writing on the wall. (Daniel 5:5.)
The Florida Legislature is going to reduce the prison population.

How long the reforms last is a different question.

From prior examples - until a media circus over the crime that one ex-convict commits.

The the Florida Legislature will return to being "hard" on those convicted of a crime (as long as they are poor and/or a minority) - instead of funding crime prevention programs.