



Prosecutors, Judges, other Enforcement Officials Deeply Concerned about Prohibitive Cost of the Death Penalty.

An Awakening Across the Country!

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Courier-Journal (Louisville, KY), November 7, 2009

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Think about it: How much can our state taxpayers save by making life without the possibility of parole (LWOP) the harshest sentence for 1st degree murder? Missouri officials have yet to conduct an analysis comparing the costs of the two sentences.

The death penalty is one of the most inefficient uses of taxpayer dollars to fight crime, according to a 2009 survey of 500 police chiefs. No wonder police chief James Abbott of West Orange, NJ states about the death penalty, “I find this use of state resources offensive.”

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