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## Re: Legislature Passing Bill Requiring Staff In Juvenile Prisons, Patrick Marley's 11 March '17 Article

So the legislature saw fit to do the obvious. Yet for no sensible reason limited the duty of staff to report abuse to only juvenile prisons.

Bill hueaders overwhelmingly exposed rampant beatings, tazings & sexual assaults in the Waupun Corr. Inst's (W.C.I.) Seg. unit in a series of articles titled "Cruel & Unusual?" in 2014 on wisconsinwatch.org. I was there & witnessed much of the total disregard by even psychologists to things like, a guy who was bi-polar, had epilepsy so bad they wanted him to wear a helmet (Anthony Peters #46777) — they left him in solitary rather than putting him in their mental-health unit, where he was so insane that he pulled his toenails & some of his fingernails out, dried them, then severely cut himself... which he was beat and tazed for!

Most of the victims of staff's abuse were floridly insane, making the abuse more despicable — it was difficult for me to stop myself from attacking staff for what they were doing. (The mentally ill prisoners — some of them, not all — who were sent out of the Supermax wound up in the seg. units at other prisons; resulting in the Boschian hell-pit at W.C.I.)

Making it a crime for staff not to report that abuse would likely have prevented all that brutality.

While they're at it, the Legislature should criminalize psychology staff's refusal to recognize obvious mental illness & not providing reasonable care, like Mr. Peters, & like Jeremiah

Felton, whom staff let live <sup>here</sup> in a piss + feces soaked cell for over a year, denied food to, refused to ship out, even though he was outrageously insane (once, when I was in a cell across from his, he pooped in his hand, showed it to me, then ate it).

This is where those Lincoln Hills prisoners often end up, after juvenile-prison staff finish the job of dehabilitating the kids that the kids' parents +/or neighborhood often started.

This is what the Assembly Committee on Corrections doesn't want the public to see.

It's time these adult-prison staff be required to report the abuse they see the fellow law-enforcement agents engage in, upon penalty of becoming a prisoner themselves.

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Note: I wrote about much of the abuse at W.C.I. - who did what, when, Incident Report #'s, etc - and posted those details on my blog: <http://betweenthebars.org/blogs/540/>

E.g., 15 Jan '14 post, "Continuing Abuse of Prisoners..." Because I wrote complaints + lawsuits for many of those prisoners, guards buried me in write-ups for fictional and petty/non-violent misconduct, justifying keeping me in the most-restrictive area... where most of the brutality occurred.