

(2) BECAUSE OF THE DIRECT AND INDIRECT COSTS OF DRUG ABUSE FOR COURTS, CORRECTIONS, MEDICAL CARE, AND POLICE, A COMPREHENSIVE PROGRAM IS IMPERATIVE TO COMBAT THE EFFECTS OF DRUG ABUSE THROUGH THE CORRELATED EFFORTS OF FEDERAL, STATE, AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND PRIVATE PERSONS;

(3) A COMPREHENSIVE PROGRAM OF TREATMENT FOR DRUG ABUSERS IS ESSENTIAL TO PROTECT AND PROMOTE THE HEALTH AND WELFARE OF THE PEOPLE OF THIS STATE AND TO DISCOURAGE THE VIOLATION OF THE LAWS THAT RELATE TO THE SALE, POSSESSION, AND USE OF DRUGS;

~~(4) --SINCE--DRUG--ABUSERS--ARE--RESPONSIBLE--FOR--A
GREAT--DEAL--OF--CRIME--AND--SINCE--DRUG--ADDICTION--AFFECTS--ALL--OF
THIS--STATE,--THIS--THREAT--TO--THE--PEACE--AND--SAFETY--OF--THE
PEOPLE--OF--THIS--STATE--MUST--BE--MET;~~

(4) IT IS NECESSARY TO MEET THE THREAT TO THE
PEACE AND SAFETY OF THE PEOPLE OF THIS STATE CAUSED BY THE
RAPIDLY SPREADING PROBLEMS OF DRUG ADDICTION, SUCH AS THE
COMMISSION OF CRIMES BY DRUG ADDICTS;

(5) NOT ONLY CRIME, BUT UNEMPLOYMENT, POVERTY, LOSS OF HUMAN DIGNITY, LOSS OF THE ABILITY TO FILL A MEANINGFUL AND PRODUCTIVE ROLE IN THE COMMUNITY, AND DAMAGE TO THE PHYSICAL AND MENTAL HEALTH OF THE DRUG ABUSER ARE BYPRODUCTS OF THIS SPREADING DISEASE;

(6) A COMPREHENSIVE PROGRAM OF TREATMENT, REHABILITATION, AND AFTERCARE FOR DRUG ABUSERS CAN FILL THE NEED OF A DRUG ABUSER:

(I) FOR HELP TO AVOID BEING COMPELLED TO RESORT TO CRIME TO SUPPORT THE HABIT; OR

(II) IF THE DRUG ABUSER COMMITS A CRIME, FOR HELP TO BREAK THE PATTERN OF DRUG ABUSE; AND

(7) EXPERIENCE HAS SHOWN THAT A DRUG ABUSER CAN BE REHABILITATED AND RETURNED TO A USEFUL LIFE THROUGH COMPREHENSIVE TREATMENT AND AFTERCARE.

(B) STATEMENT OF PURPOSE.

THE PURPOSE OF THIS TITLE IS TO PROVIDE A COMPREHENSIVE PROGRAM THAT:

(1) WILL PROVIDE FOR THE HUMAN RENEWAL OF DRUG ABUSERS THROUGH REHABILITATION AND AFTERCARE; AND

(2) IS DESIGNED:

(I) TO HELP EACH DRUG ABUSER, WHETHER OR NOT THE DRUG ABUSER IS ACCUSED OR CONVICTED OF A CRIME;