

# Our Broken and Wasteful Death Penalty System

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 millions of dollars on a public policy that can objectively be called a failure.

Gov. Brown should put an end to this farce by using her constitutional power to commute the sentences of those on death row to life without parole, and signal

that she will grant similar commutations to anyone receiving a new death sentence during her term of office. Doing so will end or greatly reduce the cost of those cases,

discourage new death sentences, and create the space for Oregonians to have a sober discussion of what to do about their death penalty system.

When money to pay the legal costs of one death sentence

would fund 18 teachers' salaries for a year, something is going wrong. It's time for Gov. Brown to act.


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# CALENDAR November 2016

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
 1 <b>National Author's Day</b> <i>Electric Light Bulb Patented (1879)</i> <b>National Family Literacy Day</b>	2 <i>Daniel Boone born, 1734</i> <i>International Space Station Opened in 2000</i>	3 <b>National Sandwich Day</b>	4 <i>Gail Haley born, 1939</i> <i>First Wagon Train Reached California (1841)</i>	5 <b>Guy Fawkes Day</b>	6 Daylight Savings Time Ends National Nachos Day	
7 Hug-a-Bear Day <i>Scientist Marie Curie born in 1867</i>	8 <b>Young Reader's Day</b> <i>X-Ray Day, discovered on this day in 1895</i>	9 <i>Capital Punishment abolished in the U.K. in 1998</i> <i>Great Boston Fire 1872</i>	10 <i>Sesame Street Debuted in 1969</i> <i>First iPod Sold in 2001</i>	11 Remembrance Day In Canada <b>Veteran's Day</b>	12 <i>Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Women's Rights Leader, was born in 1815</i>	13 Mom's and Dad's Day <i>Vietnam Veterans Memorial was dedicated in 1982</i>
14 <i>William Steig born, 1907</i> National Clean Out Your Refrigerator Day	15 America Recycles Day Pack Your Mom Lunch Day	16 <i>Jean Fritz born, 1915</i> <i>Fall of the Inca Empire (1533)</i> Button Day	17 Homemade Bread Day Take A Hike Day	18 <i>Antarctica discovered in 1820</i> William Tell Day	19 <i>Gettysburg Address, 1863 by President Lincoln</i> <i>Prime Minister Indira Gandhi in 1917</i>	20 Mexican Revolution Day <i>Traffic Light Patented in 1923</i>
21 <i>Leo Politi born in 1908</i> <i>Mayflower Compact Signed in 1620</i> World Hello Day	22 Stop the Violence Day <i>John F. Kennedy Assassinated in 1963 (35th President)</i>	23 National Cashew Day	24 <b>Thanksgiving Day</b> <i>Charles Darwin publishes 'The Origin of Species' in 1859</i>	25 Black Friday <i>Crescent Dragon-wagon born in 1952</i>	26 <i>Charles Schulz born in 1922</i>	27 Pins and Needles Day <i>Astronomer Anders Celsius born, 1701</i>
28 <i>Tom Ungerer born, 1931</i> <i>Magellan reached the Pacific (1521)</i>	29 <i>Madeline L'Engle born, 1918</i> <i>King Tut's Tomb Opened (1922)</i>	30 <i>Mark Twain born, 1835</i> Stay At Home Well Day	