Sex Offender Laws: Failed Policies, New Directions

Updated to keep pace with rapidly changing laws and policies, this second edition features an increased emphasis on policy and program alternatives. It incorporates new content on high-profile issues affecting adolescent sex offenders, critical analyses of the results of recent studies on sex offender policies, effective approaches in preventing recidivism, and cutting-edge research in the fields of criminal justice, law, forensic psychology, and social work.

The second edition continues to document and assess the full gamut of laws designed to respond to and prevent sexual violence.

New to the second edition:
- Emphasizes policy and program alternatives to currently ineffective policies
- Provides new content on the criminalization of adolescent sexuality
- Analyzes the role of the media in sex offense and sex offense policies
- Critically discusses state implementation of the 2006 Adam Walsh Act
- Introduces new policy alternatives including environmental criminology and its use toward sexual violence prevention and the increasing use of civil litigation in sexual assault cases
- Examines the political "untouchability" of sex offender laws and their adverse affects and unintended consequences

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