



# **Proposed Amendments on Drug Offenses**

**Supplemental Public Data Briefing**

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## Methamphetamine

### Option 1 – Use a Single Entry for Methamphetamine

- Provides estimates for the impact on sentence lengths and the Bureau of Prisons population if the quantity thresholds were set at:
  - the current quantity thresholds for methamphetamine (actual);
  - the quantity thresholds matching those of cocaine base;
  - the current quantity thresholds for methamphetamine mixture;
  - the quantity thresholds matching those of cocaine.
- Analysis includes all individuals sentenced under a drug trafficking guideline with methamphetamine.

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## Methamphetamine

### Option 1 – Use a Single Entry for Methamphetamine

Set the quantity thresholds at **Methamphetamine (Actual)**

65% (2,600 individuals) of all cases with methamphetamine mixture would be impacted.



For the affected individuals, the average sentence would increase from 87 months to 128 months.

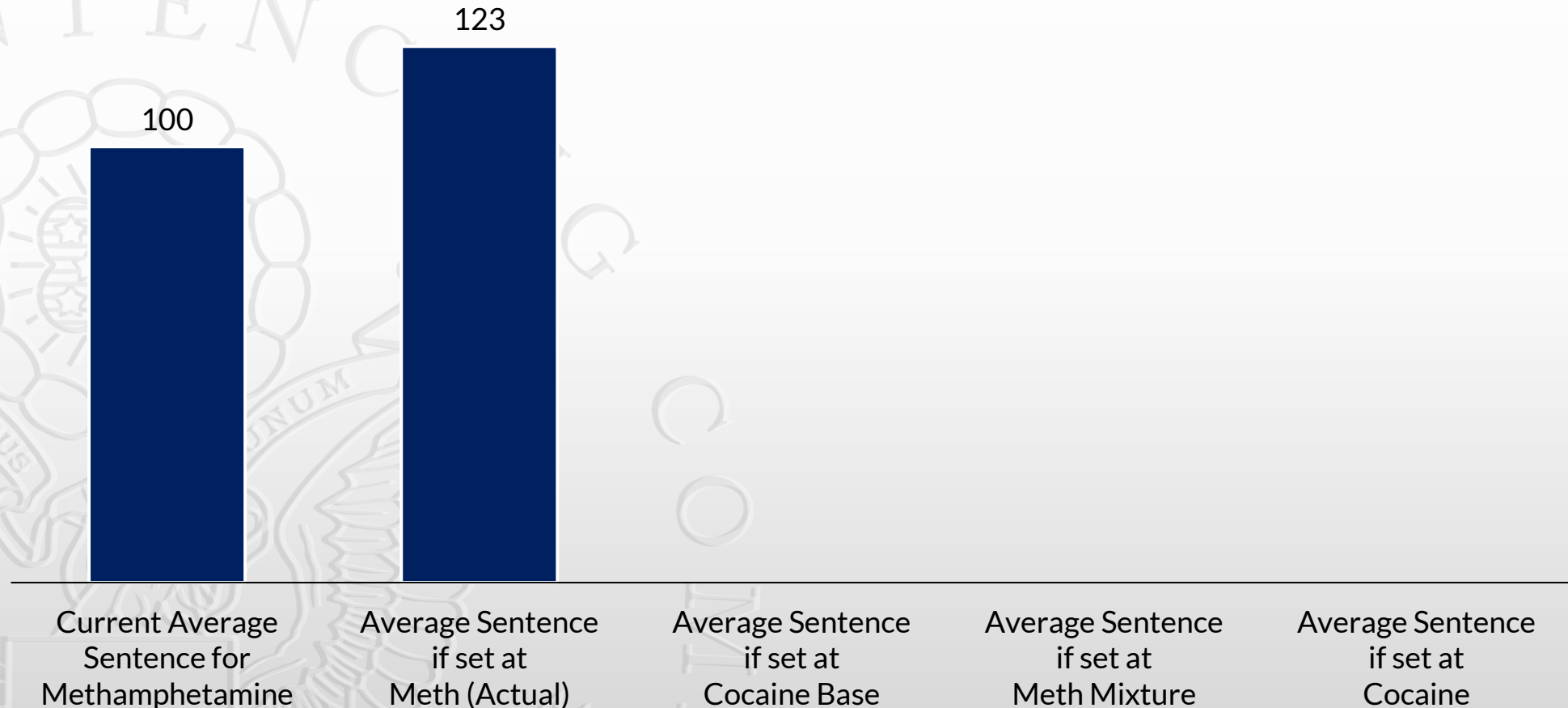


After five years, the amendment would increase the Bureau of Prisons population by 1,385 persons.

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## Methamphetamine

### Overall Average Sentence (in months) In All Methamphetamine Cases



This analysis includes individuals sentenced under a drug trafficking guideline (USSG §§2D1.1, 2D1.2, 2D1.5, 2D1.6, 2D1.8, 2D1.10, or 2D1.14) with methamphetamine and complete guideline application information under a *Guidelines Manual* effective November 1, 2014 or later.

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## Methamphetamine

### Option 1 – Use a Single Entry for Methamphetamine

Set the quantity thresholds at **Cocaine Base**

53% (4,502 individuals) of all cases with any methamphetamine would be impacted.

64% (2,882 individuals) had meth actual  
23% (1,049 individuals) had meth mixture  
13% (571 individuals) had both



For the affected individuals, the average sentence would decrease from 103 months to 86 months.



For individuals with methamphetamine (actual), the average sentence would decrease from 112 months to 84 months.



For individuals with methamphetamine mixture, the average sentence would increase from 92 months to 95 months.

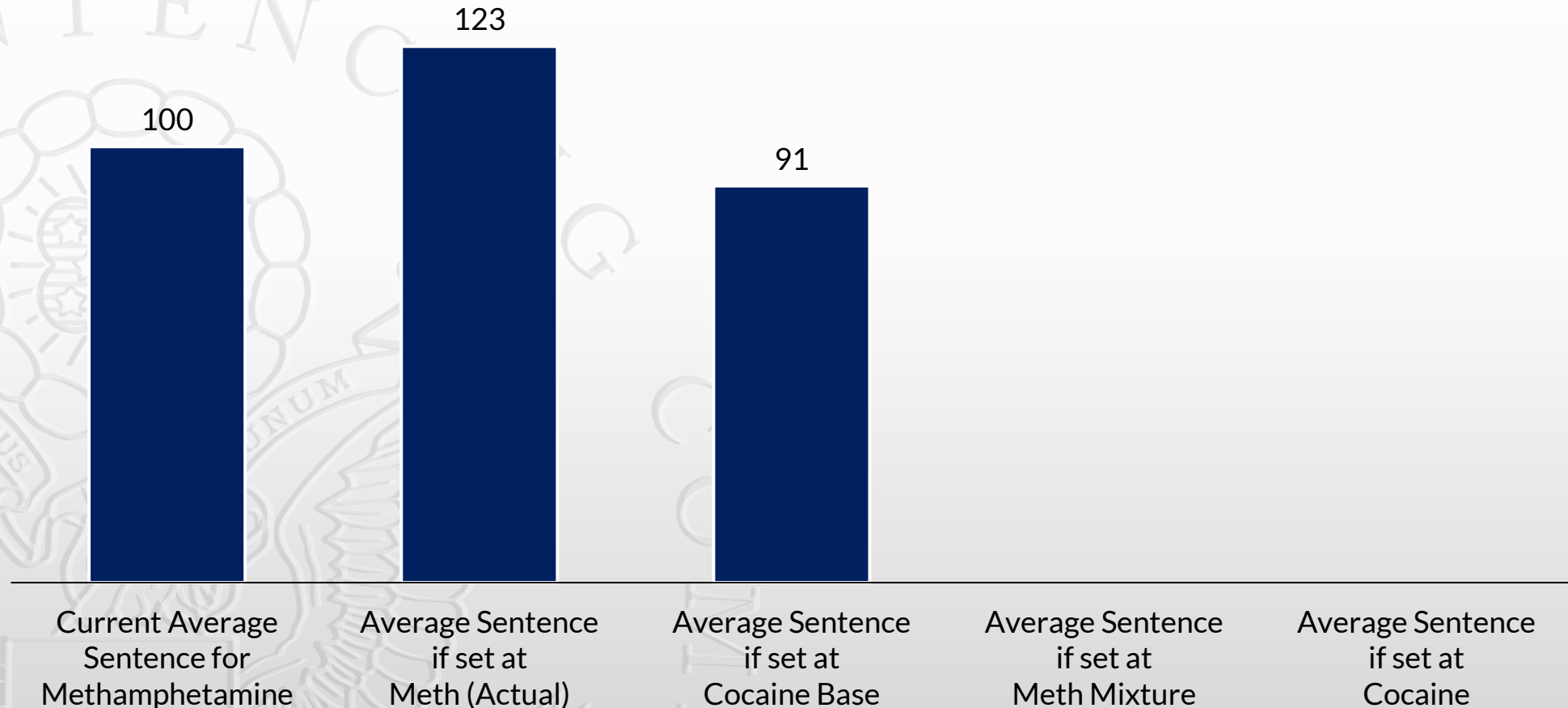


After five years, the amendment would reduce the Bureau of Prisons population by 1,327 persons.

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## Methamphetamine

### Overall Average Sentence (in months) In All Methamphetamine Cases



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## Methamphetamine

### Option 1 – Use a Single Entry for Methamphetamine

Set the quantity thresholds at **Methamphetamine Mixture**

69% (3,897 individuals) of all cases with methamphetamine (actual) would be impacted.



For the affected individuals, the average sentence would decrease from 110 months to 78 months.

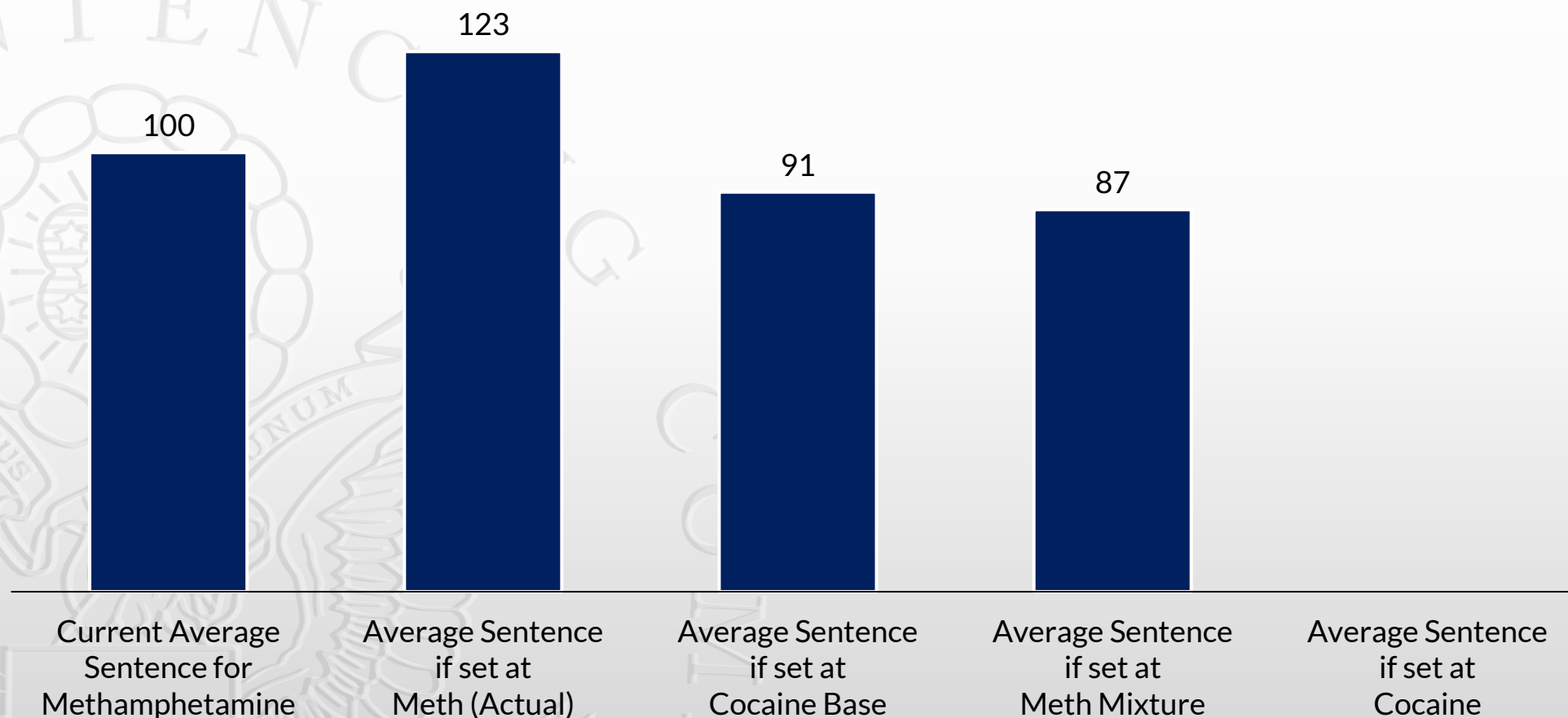


After five years, the amendment would reduce the Bureau of Prisons population by 2,241 persons.

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## Methamphetamine

### Overall Average Sentence (in months) In All Methamphetamine Cases



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## Methamphetamine

### Option 1 – Use a Single Entry for Methamphetamine

Set the quantity thresholds at **Cocaine**

74% (6,286 individuals) of all cases with any methamphetamine would be impacted.



For the affected individuals, the average sentence would decrease from 102 months to 59 months.



For individuals with methamphetamine (actual), the average sentence would decrease from 110 months to 62 months.



For individuals with methamphetamine mixture, the average sentence would decrease from 100 months to 63 months.

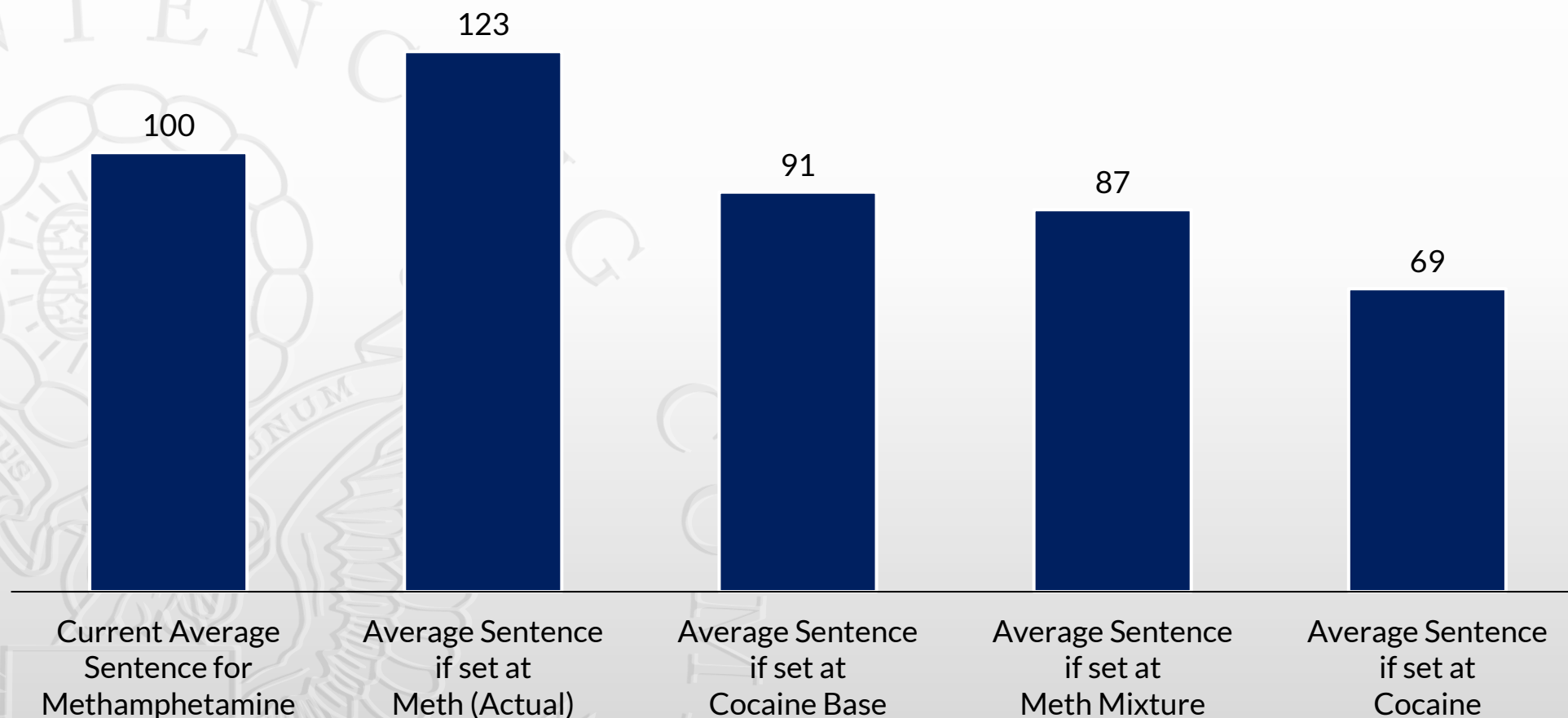


After five years, the amendment would reduce the Bureau of Prisons population by 7,469 persons.

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## Methamphetamine

### Overall Average Sentence (in months) In All Methamphetamine Cases



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## Methamphetamine

### Option 1 – Use a Single Entry for Methamphetamine

#### Summary

#### Set at Meth (Actual)

65%  
(2,600 individuals)  
of **meth mixture**  
cases would be  
impacted.

The overall average  
sentence would  
**increase** from  
100 months to  
123 months.

#### Set at Cocaine Base

53%  
(4,502 individuals)  
of **all meth**  
cases would be  
impacted.

The overall average  
sentence would  
**decrease** from  
100 months to  
91 months.

#### Set at Meth Mixture

69%  
(3,897 individuals)  
of **meth actual**  
cases would be  
impacted.

The overall average  
sentence would  
**decrease** from  
100 months to  
87 months.

#### Set at Cocaine

74%  
(6,286 individuals)  
of **all meth**  
cases would be  
impacted.

The overall average  
sentence would  
**decrease** from  
100 months to  
69 months.



*The Commission is accepting public comment on this proposal through February 10, 2026.*

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