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### Gov. Whitman to Sign Legislation Escalating The War Against Drug Dealers

Gov. Christie Whitman will escalate the state's war against drug dealers on Monday when she signs legislation that increases penalties on drug dealers and provides increased protection for law enforcement officers.

In Paterson on Monday morning the Governor will sign A-2957, which increases penalties for drug dealers who distribute large quantities of marijuana and methamphetamine. She will also sign A-2958 which imposes an anti-profiteering penalty against drug dealers.

Later in the day, in Camden, the Governor will sign A-2956, which outlaws the use of booby traps and fortification structures that are commonly used to injure law enforcement officers during drug busts.

These measures are part of the Whitman administration's comprehensive plan to escalate the war against drugs and to provide increased safety to neighborhoods and families throughout New Jersey.

**MONDAY, AUGUST 4, 1997**

**10:30 a.m. SIGN Legislation A-2597, A-2858 to Increase Penalties Against Drug Dealers**

Passaic County Jail  
11 Marshall Street  
Paterson

**3:00 p.m. SIGN Legislation A-2956 to Increase Protection of New Jersey Law Enforcement Officers and Penalize Drug Dealers**

Site of Known Crack House  
1165 Lansdowne Avenue  
Camden

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