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In Case You Missed It: 'You're not the only one': Former Coffee Creek inmates allege 'widespread' sex abuse, rape
Senator Alan Olsen Champions Legislation to study abuse in women's correction facilities

SALEM - In Case You Missed It: A recent [Statesman Journal](#) report brought the issues of sex abuse in Oregon's penitentiaries back to light after years of sex-abuse reports at Coffee Creek Correctional Facility. Senator Alan Olsen, R-Canby, has repeatedly introduced [legislation](#) requiring the Department of Corrections to conduct a study on sexual assault in women's correction facilities. During the 2017 Legislative Session the [bill](#) was not even scheduled for a hearing.

"How many stories of sex-abuse in correctional facilities will we have to hear before we do something to address this issue?" said Olsen. "Let's take a look at the conditions that allow for these types of abuses to continue, and develop better practices that protect women in custody."

The Oregonian has published many stories over the years reporting abuse of women inmates. To read those reports, please follow the links below:

[Abuse of women inmates at Oregon's Coffee Creek prison goes on for years](#) – The Oregonian

[Ex-corrections officer gets 20 months in prison for sexual misconduct involving inmate](#) – The Oregonian

[Ex-prison guard charged in sex-misconduct case shared kiss with inmate but that's all, lawyer says](#) – The Oregonian

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