

Need Drastic Laws For Sex Crimes Att'y Gen. Says

Washington, Feb. 1. (AP)—Stricter laws to place sex criminals behind bars until they are certified by a competent medical board as cured has been advocated by Attorney General J. Howard McGrath for the protection of "every woman and child" in the nation in a radio interview for the Gannett News Service.

The cabinet officer said only a small number of states now have laws strong enough to cope with the sex offender problem. He declared: "The time has come when we must be realistic. Medical and psychiatric experts have concluded that the sex offender is either curable or incurable. The sooner he is identified, the better. And once he is identified, legislation should provide that never again will he be free unless a competent board of medical examiners is willing to certify as to his cure."

The Attorney General said that parole and probation systems never were intended for the "incurable sex offender."