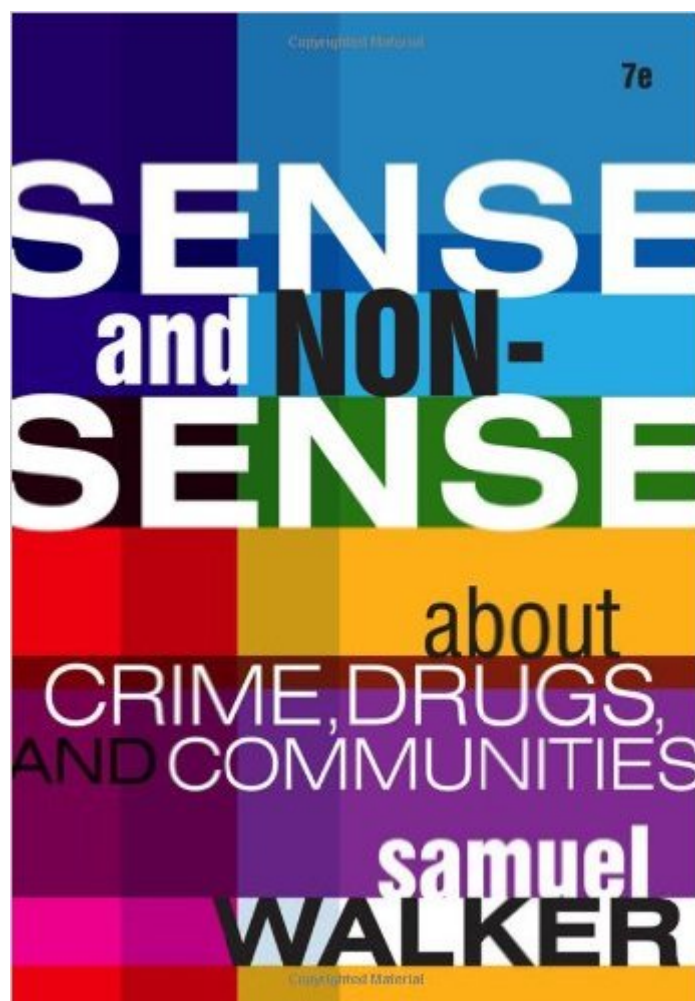


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# Sense And Nonsense About Crime, Drugs, And Communities: A Policy Guide



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This is a thought provoking book with a serious "liberal" stance. It is good for spurring conversation that questions policy. Drawbacks are also that the author overlooks some policies that fit his agenda. Overall, once of the better CJ books I have read even though it has an atypical style.

I used this book for my senior writing class in college. It was pretty interesting and read more like a novel than a standard textbook. The author looks at the topics discussed from a very particular view point therefor this book is a "little" biased. If you look at everything critically, its not hard to find flaws in anything. I just wish the author would have given a few solutions to all the problems he pointed

out.

BS=BULLSENSE, THE AUTHOR IS SO WRAPPED UP IN TOXIC, EXTREMIST BIAS THEN ALWAYS HAVE TO CORRECT HIMSELF EVERY EDITION AND EVEN WITHIN BOOKS, NO SENSE OF REAL HUMOR AND NOT EVERYBODY WILL AGREE WITH YOU SO DON'T INCLUDE THE WE WORD EVERYTIME, FILTHY HAD TO WASTE MONEY ON IT FOR STUPID CLASS

This is one of the required texts in a course I was taking so it wasn't selected by my choosing. That being said, the text is quite good. It tries to breach a convoluted topic and does so with little overt bias.

Blah! I had to read this for class. Very dry and repetitive of past crim justice classes. Glad to be done with the class!

This book served all my purposes and was very helpful in my studies. I would recommend this book to everyone.

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This was a really good book. Very good for criminal justice majors. Great condition too.

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