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Johnstown, PA - Congressman John Murtha announced today that the U.S. Department of Justice has released \$3 million that he obtained for Concurrent Technologies Corp. to develop the Corrections Learning Environment.

"The cost of running prisons is big and it's growing all the time," Murtha said. "This program will reduce training costs while providing better training for prison personnel."

CTC's initiative involves the implementation of a cost-efficient, integrated training program for Pennsylvania state and local corrections officers. The program will respond to the high turnover rates of corrections officers and an increasing prison population.

The Corrections Learning Environment will be computer- and web-based to provide access and share the training content nationwide. It will include low-cost simulation to provide realistic settings for correctional officer training.

Daniel R. DeVos, CTC's President and CEO, said, "This program, which is being developed with the Pennsylvania Department of Corrections, will utilize the very latest distributed learning technologies to allow its replication in correctional settings across the nation."

Murtha added funding for the initiative to the U.S. Department of Justice appropriation for 2006.