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As former superintendent at OSP and administrator of the only two executions in Oregon in 54 years, I offer these comments for the review of SB 1013 by the Committee on Judiciary.

A big part of SB 1013 has to do with "future dangerousness." No one else in Oregon has the perspective that correctional professionals have on how to keep inmates under control and out of conflict than those of us who have had to do so as a core part of performing the demands of our careers.

Without a doubt, regardless of the crime they are doing time for, lifers and inmates who are sentenced for a long term of years, are generally considered to be model inmates.

<https://ejusa.org/learn/prison-killings/>
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There is a very unreliable correlation between a person being convicted of murder and a likelihood they will murder again.

deathpenaltyinfo.org/node/1099

Requiring public servants to, directly and collaterally, participate in the execution of another human being creates an additional class of victims. My experience, supported by studies, indicates that these public servants are at extremely high risks to suffer a lifetime of PTSD after having played a role in the killing of another human being.

www.ncadp.org/pages/harm-to-prison-workers

<http://www.ncadp.org/videos/entry/form-florida-warden-speaks-out>

Capital Punishment is not needed to run safe institutions.

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It is not enough to support the death penalty because "the people voted for it." When legislators are attempting to provide the best legislation possible "for the people," they will often consider the opinions of experts. Experts are individuals who have a level of knowledge, experience and public service wisdom that the average voting citizen does not have. Armed with an enlightened

perspective on the administration of the death penalty with it's failed outcomes, It then becomes morally obligatory on fair minded legislators to give pivotal weight to the experience and opinions of the experts who are responsible for killing people in the name of the very public, who generally are not as enlightened, that voted for capital punishment in the first place.

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