

March 22, 2021

Oregon State Legislature
900 Court St. NE
Salem, Oregon 97301

RE: Ballot Measure 110 - Senate Bill 191 - Implementation

Dear Senate Committee:

I am writing on behalf of my long time friend who is incarcerated at Snake River Corrections Facility and sentenced under Measure 11. He is currently serving a 15 year sentence for a very unfortunate decision on his part (DUI) which resulted in a fatality. He had no previous record and was an upstanding community member. I believe the black & white of Measure 11 does not take into account each person's history and record, or lack of one.

My friend is a man of strong values and lives with his part of the accident that put him where he is today. While at Snake River he is has a job and has been an active member of the Choir and a mentor to other inmates. Surely his record there should allow him "time off for good behavior". When he is released he will have a strong network of friends and family to enable him to return to society. At his current sentencing he will be 65 on his release date which will make reintegration a challenge. He is not a menace or threat to society and I believe his record while incarcerated speaks to the core of who he is.

I ask you to strongly consider passing this Measure and allowing inmates who have a good record to earn time off their sentence.

Thank you.

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