

I strongly oppose SB 571. This proposal is counter-intuitive as it would allow people who have knowingly forfeited their rights by committing a crime and breaking the law to have a say in how things in the state and country are done. We should keep things as they are and not restore felons' right to vote until they have done their time and paid their fines; only after they have paid the consequences and been released back into normal society should they be able to participate as such. If we restore rights to criminals actively in jail and/or working off their debt to society, where does it end? This proposal is not good for the well being of the State of Oregon and should not be passed.

-Respectfully,
Alexandra