

Dear Senate Committee Members,

I support the right to vote for individuals inside the prisons.

Everyone may not agree on this, but I believe that everyone should have a say in the policies that affect themselves and their loved ones. How many consequences does a person need to suffer due to bad choices in their life. Prison is the punishment. Supervision after prison is the punishment. Not being able to find a decent job ends up being included as a punishment's. Not being able to find adequate housing ends up being a punishment. Losing the right to bear arms is another punishment. All the extra things lost should not be included in the punishment. So Please, stop the cascade of punishments for justice impacted people. Allow them the right to have a voice, and allow their vote to be counted. Allow them to participate in society. Allow them to go to the polls on election days. Allow them a say! Please stop the silencing of these voices.

Thank you, Phil Sims