

Thank you Mr. Chairman and committee members for considering my testimony. SB 571 is a bad idea on many fronts. A person who has chosen not to live within the boundaries and rules set forth by society should not be allowed to establish the boundaries and rules of society. Voting should be considered a sacred right reserved for those who have enough respect for our laws to follow our laws. This is a right established by and for a free society. Felons serving time are not a part of that free society and therefore should have their voting rights suspended until the time has been served, and they take the initiative to re register as current law mandates. Voting in a prison setting will only serve to further corrupt the elections process. Do the right thing and kill this bill. Then focus on the mountain of meaningful work that lyes before you. Thank you