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On Behalf Of:  
Committee: Senate Committee On Judiciary  
Measure: SB579

Dear Chair Prozanski and members of the Senate Judiciary Committee:

I have just turned 18, I am a senior in high school, and I am looking forward to being able to vote in the next election. I know the pain of participating in the democratic process by knocking on doors, making calls, and being unable to vote. What I don't know is the pain of having the right to vote and having that taken away from me because of a mistake I've made. When we incarcerate Oregonians we are not taking away their civil liberties. We are taking away their ability to move about freely, but not to be civic minded and engaged in what is happening in their state and their community. I ask that you pass this bill and ensure that all Oregonians have the right to vote.

Thank you,  
Talia Wexler