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Dear Senator Sara Gelsler-Blouin, et al.:

My wife and I are residents of Albany, so you are our state senator. We have read Senate Bill 579 and **vehemently object** to any legislative support for this ridiculous bill. Here's why:

In a declining state economy trending with increased crime, it's become more apparent that Democrats are to Republicans as 'Defund the Police' is to 'Support Your Local Sheriff.'

If we can agree on that clear analogy, do you honestly believe that incarcerated individuals would vote to support law enforcement, or do you think they might vote from inside prison to defund the police?

Any reasonable observer would likely predict, and accurately so, that prisoners would **not** vote for conservative ideology, so their votes would default to the Democrat Party's Marxist beliefs.

Your proposal to amend **ORS 137.281, 247.013, and 247.035** presents a very serious threat to ALL Oregonians by way of disenfranchising conservative voters - those who support lawful accountability among their citizenries.

In other words, past communities would further fractionalize on many levels if this bill was to pass by your fellow Democrats. Is that what you and Sen. Prozanski desire?? If you want an even more dystopian Oregon, just allow 'active' voter rolls to reach into Oregon's prisons to gather support for chaotic policies that accelerate Oregon's demise.

Since SB 579's intent is to remove disincentives from incarceration, what will prevent Oregon's criminal element from expanding in population as even **more** crimes are committed? Living a 'three hots and a cot' lifestyle can be far more attractive than living on the street, esp. when able to vote for even **less** law enforcement from behind room-temperature prison bars.

Honestly, imagining this bill being implemented is ludicrous to an otherwise civil society. As our elected senator, we are looking for you to **not** amend the ORS regarding this matter by **Voting NO** on the introduced SB 579; it needs to immediately die from within the Judiciary Committee.

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