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Measure: SB579

In the matter of SB 579: Relating to voting by adults in custody; creating new provisions; and amending ORS 137.281, 247.013 and 247.035

I am adamantly against any change to the current laws. Currently prescribed penalties should remain. "Do the crime, do the time." Suffer the penalties.

I add this note regarding SECTION 2 (B): While I disagree entirely with this bill, I would point out that if the criminal weren't already registered, he/she already shows a lack of good citizenship. If this matter should happen to be adopted, the proviso should be If he/she were registered, said registration would not be invalidated except by failure to vote. That is, the felon's own choice—made before the crime—not to register or not to vote and thus be on the inactive rolls. If the felon were not already registered, he/she should have to wait until he/she has completed his/her sentence.