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People who are incarcerated make up such a huge percentage of our communities. Most are released within 2-3 years and will have an opportunity to vote and participate after incarceration. But, for those serving longer sentences, their votes should matter. They are part of the communities of Oregon, most will return to their communities in short order, and ought to be allowed to have a say in their elected government. I was once one of those individuals who did not get to participate in the selection of my government.