

Senate Committee

RE: SB 191

Measure 11's mandatory prison sentence is very unjust. I personally know a person who was incarcerated under Measure 11 after he had straightened out his life and was being a productive citizen. He did a stupid thing when he was young and was under the influence of drugs. When he was accused years later, he admitted what he had done and apologized to everyone involved. He did not deserve the 6 year sentence he received for his first offense. However, he has been a model prisoner. He was a licensed plumber when he went to prison and has been teaching other inmates this skill. I truly believe inmates who were sentenced under Measure 11 should be given the same early out considerations as other prisoners.

Measure 11 has been deemed unfair by all other states. Let's make it fair and release all prisoners that have been proven to be rehabilitated and not dangerous to society. Tax payers should not have to continue paying for prisoners who do not need to be there.

Respectfully,

  
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