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To Whom it may concern

My name is Dustin Gover, I've been incarcerated for nearly 4 years now. I'm a first time offender doing 10 years due to my actions and measure 11 guidelines. Like many prisoners here in the State of Oregon which has the oldest prison population in the United States we are sad to see that SB191 is the only bill that has retroactivity for good time on measure 11. For the past 6 months all the chatter here at TRCI has been about, how finally we have a chance, for some of us a chance to be with our family, a chance to be somebody with a name and not an Sid#, a chance to be productive in society, and a chance to get help we need in programs which the prison system doesn't offer. Lately though our hopes have dwindled as only SB191 has retroactivity, many of us just feel like slaves to the State of Oregon in warehouse ment to store bodies. Prison in the State of Oregon has no intention to reform us its strictly punishment based it's not right, I should feel like every day I've made a step forward and made progress. If good time existed for me at least every day I could tell my self you've earned your good time today and your a step closer to getting home and getting the help you need. I've been here at TRCI for nearly 3 years now I've asked to get counseling at first I was told I would have 1 on 1 counseling only to be told its no longer available. I my self am a victim of sexual, physical, and emotional abuse. I suffer from PTSD due to things that have happened to me as a child. All I'm asking is give me a chance your not just helping me out your helping 7 year old Dustin escape from 4 walls closing in on him every day.

Thanks for your time *DSty*

to fit I look forward from healing back

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