

April 2, 2021

To The Oregon State Senate Judiciary Committee:

On March 1, 2021, my brother, Jim C. Schifferer, currently serving a 50 year sentence at EOCI, wrote several letters to different members of the Judiciary Committee regarding SB 191, ***The Earning Good Time Bill***. Jim addressed and mailed his letters to specific legislators at the Oregon State Legislature, 900 Court St. NE, using their assigned state office numbers.

With Jim's oral consent and permission, I have typed a letter he wrote to Senator Kim Thatcher and present it as testimony for your consideration as you discuss SB 191.

I urge you to support and pass this bill.

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration.

Sincerely,

Doris Harvey

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March 1, 2021

My name is Jim Schifferer. I am incarcerated at Eastern Oregon Correctional Institution. I was given a ridiculous sentence of 600 months (50 years) under Measure 11. At the time of my arrest in January of 2012, I was 53 years old and had no previous record.

I am writing to say that I'm in favor of SB 191 being passed for all eligible inmates to be able to earn good time.

I support TDNFTC in getting this bill passed. My sisters and elderly parents have attended rallies and given money in support. Every person, no matter of their age, race, gender, or crime should have equal rights. We all should be able to earn incentives for improvements and good behavior.

If SB 191 was passed, it would definitely improve the morale of the inmates and most likely create a safer environment in prison because of the desire to do good and not lose the "good time."

In my case, earning good time would help but would still leave me with a death sentence because of the unreasonable sentence I received.

I urge you to please look at my case and the injustice I have been served. I am not guilty of most of the crimes I am charged for. My sentence is the result of lies and deception and unfair and unfortunate circumstances.

I had no previous experience with law enforcement, not even a serious traffic violation. I come from a family of upstanding, law-abiding good people. I was the 4th generation to own and operate our family Century Farm southwest of Turner, OR.

I had an incompetent attorney who gave me ill advice. I had no trial. I was denied bail. I was convinced to plead guilty before a judge-a bench trial? All of my appeals have been exhausted or denied. My sister and elderly mother (my dad passed in 2016) have struggled and worked relentlessly to help me.

I have been incarcerated over 9 years now. My case is all about jealousy, greed, and revenge based on a former divorce and second marriage. My sister and mother have found revealing evidence of deception, lies, and conspiracy. It is a true example of weaponizing the justice system to achieve another agenda. I am telling the truth. My family has the proof with supportive factual statements and documents. Please consider helping our family. My sister welcomes calls or letters and has an incredible amount of information to share.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Jim C. Schifferer