

Chair Prozanski, Vice-chair Thatcher,

My name is Philip Krauss,

I come before you in opposition to Senate Bill 554. It is my belief the committee should kill this bill. If passed this bill would create inconsistent rules and regulations throughout the state. A person attempting to abide by them would unknowingly become a criminal due to inconsistent standards. Additionally it would overwhelm an already overwhelmed court system and prison system. Governor Brown wants to close prisons while this bill would only cause additional over crowding of prisons. It also appears the state could use the fines levied in these violations to fill the state coffers, thus essentially becoming a tax. Again, it is my belief the committee should kill this bill.