

Senate Committee On Judiciary
Re: SB320

I am in full support of this bill. I've read through some of the opposing comments and have this to say.

1. Some aren't even reading the bill, he says no murderers, if he'd read the bill it does NOT include murderers.

2. Another mentions it's a large tax burden on the citizens while they figure out good time. A. No it's not, a daily cost of them being in there is more expensive than up to a 20% good time. B. The process is already in place it's calculated automatically on all inmates. They get a sheet every month with the good time, the Measure 11 does as well but just aren't eligible.

3. Others screaming leave them in there they aren't safe for society. Ok, first of all they are going to get out, even if they have to serve every day of their sentence. Wouldn't you rather someone who had no disciplinary issues, and earned that 20%?

4. Others are trying to tie it to politicians wanting to take away gun rights but 'let them out early'. One has nothing to do with the other.

5. Others are using recent crimes of smashing windows in cars to equate, again not the same. Those same people stealing and smashing car windows would not be in for a measure 11 therefore they'd be getting out in less time. So again one has nothing to do with the other.

I urge people to really understand the bill what it is and is not. I urge them to understand that no matter what they are going to get out, we aren't talking about murderers or life sentence people.

I urge the politicians take these rebuttal statements into consideration while reading the opposing views. I urge the politicians to do what is best to create a person who wants to move on from that one mistake and prove themselves a valuable member of society. Again, we are talking about a small percentage of AIC's not the entire population.

Thank you,
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