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Chair Kroph and Vice -Chair Wallan,

HB 3118 has some red flags. I am not in favor of this bill.

1. There is not any fiscal impact statement and where the state funding would come from. It shifts the burden and responsibility to the tax payer.
 - a. It does not state how the program would be administered.
 - b. Whether free phone calls would have a time limit, calls based upon need, and lock -down status (line 26).

2. I have a friend that is incarcerated. I wrote her letters every day. We set a certain day each week for her weekly phone call to check in.
 - a. When, I visited my friend in prison there were vending machines which were quite expensive. I inquired about the pricey candy bars and snacks. The staff said that the money went to pay cable, communications and other services.

3. Shouldn't we spend the money on cognitive restructuring therapy for Adults in Custody to end the cycle of family recidivism?