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To: Marinelli, George
Cc: Sen. McLachlan, Michael
Subject: Testimony for the Judiciary Committee of the State of Connecticut

Dear Mr. Marinelli,

Please know we are in favor of Senate Bill 123: AN ACT REPEALING THE RISK REDUCTION CREDIT PROGRAM.

For any physical attack on a person or persons, the penalty imposed by the judge should not be reduced. The full sentence should be met.

For minor crimes, not involving attack upon persons (such as first offenders for stealing up to \$5,000) the offender could be eligible for early parole. However, restitution is to be made. Second offenders of a similar crime should not be eligible for early parole.

Any sexual offender should not be eligible for early parole. The crime is not acceptable and the perpetrator has to be made to understand that he/she will pay for this to the full extent of the law. No exceptions.

If the offender has a mental problem, he/she can be treated in jail, if that's deemed necessary by a doctor or psychiatrist. There is no guarantee the offender will be cured. But he/she has to be made to understand this behavior is not approved by anyone and is not to be tolerated.

It's time we have teeth put into this law. Deviation from this is a disgrace.

Our laws should be protecting the overall good of society.

Sincerely,

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