

March 21, 2019

Judiciary Committee

Re: S.B, No. 880 AN ACT INCREASING FAIRNESS AND TRANSPARENCY IN THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM

Hello,

My name is Karen Ravenelle-Bloom. I am from Willington, CT. I am writing in favor of bill # 880. This bill will make sure that data, and the reporting of that data will make sure our justice system is transparent and fair. Examining data will allow our communities to ensure prosecutors are making decisions about charges, diversion, plea deals, transfer to the adult court, etc. fairly, and to hold them accountable when the data highlights concerns. Other sectors of the system, courts, police providers, already must collect and report data. It makes sense that the prosecutors should collect and report data as well. As a constituent of Connecticut I am asking for this to be included by supporting this bill.

Thank you,

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