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LD 178

Dear Senator Beebe-Center, Representative Salisbury, and members of the Criminal Justice and Public Safety Committee,

My name is Alexander Victor Copeland and I am writing in support of parole bill LD 178.

I would like to address parole and the possibility of it being granted to the residents of Maine. I understand that parole is a privilege not something we can have right off the gate of being incarcerated. It takes time to prove yourself worthy of change and wanting to be successful and not detrimental to society. I have taken full responsibility for the crimes that I have done against victims and the Maine community that I come from.

To better myself when incarcerated, I'm taking several self-help programs to deal with my substance abuse problems and my anger issues, as well as programs such as: 1. better and healthier living, and 2. substance abuse disorder treatment.

If given a chance to earn parole, I will continue on the path of working to rebuild and repair the damage that I have done to victims, family, and my community. Thank you for taking the time to read my testimony.