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LD 1978

Testimony of Sarah Johnson

IN SUPPORT OF LD 1978 An Act to Enact the Reentry Success and Earned Time Act

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To the Honorable Speaker Talbot Ross, Honorable Representatives Montell, Pluecker, Salisbury, Sayre, Honorable Senators Beebe-Center, Daughtry, Pouliot and Vitelli and Honorable Members of the Criminal Justice and Public Safety Committee.

My name is Sarah Johnson, I live in Sanford and I have a number of years of experience volunteering and working in academic and technical education programs in the carceral system.

I am writing in support of LD 1978 whose goal is to provide much needed access to technical and educational programming as well as a reward system for both students and the community.

We are surrounded by evidence that Maine needs a growing workforce, and we have the opportunity to educate and help integrate our incarcerated population back into our communities.

Isn't that the goal of the Correctional System?

Thank you for your time and consideration of this bill and its underlying philosophies.

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