

Good Afternoon Senator Carney, Representative Kuhn and honorable members of the judiciary committee. My name is Carl Hunter and I am providing testimony in support of LD1941, an act to support reentry and reintegration into the community.

I have been through many forms of abuse and loss as a child which led me to drink and smoke. I normalized a very negative way of life due to my surroundings. I lived in so much fear and lacked trust and had no confidence. I've seen so much domestic violence and it affected me tremendously. I take full responsibility for my wrong and have realized I needed to change my false belief system and learn new beliefs which I have been doing since my arrest. I gave my life to Jesus Christ and have been doing daily devotion and Church/Bible study. I also am working as a cleaner in Education. I am currently trying to enroll in college for Mental Health/Human Services. I have been working to be a Recovery Coach. I have also been getting a lot out of CBT-IPV as well as Tier I Substance Abuse.

I wish I could have done Rehab but I'm glad for the support I do have. I am sincerely asking you to please open your hearts and give hope to those who deserve a chance and please vote "ought to pass" on LD1941.

Thank you for your time and energy.

Sincerely,

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