

Greetings and Salutations Senator Carney, Representative Kuhn, as well as honorable members of the judiciary committee.

Respectfully, my name is Justin Pillsbury. Today I am writing this to try and provide support for LD1941. I am currently imprisoned. I am twelve years into a fifty year sentence. It was my first experience ever being imprisoned. On the street in my old life I was a pillar of my community. Besides being in the army, I was vice president of the P.T.O. at my kids school, and I attended field trips regularly as well as volunteered my time to come and read to the kids. I coached little league baseball and P.A.L. and basketball. I was a specialist in the U.S. Army and I was a proud full-time father. One night I made a tragic mistake for which I pay for mentally every day of my life.

When I arrived at prison, it wasn't at all like Shawshank Redemption or the movies I had watched. It was full of people who had also made mistakes, some meant to some did not, some didn't even do it. Everybody grows mentally regardless, everyone changes, everyone can be rehabilitated. I guess what I am saying is after my term of punishment, let me live again, I will still pay my debt to society. It will just be on the other side of the wall! Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

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