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Freeport

LD 1941

I strongly support LD 1941 – a bill to Bring Back Parole

As a process, parole promotes rehabilitation as a path forward into the community. Through that process, more people who have proven they are ready to go home can be released, and fewer people are damaged by the long-term effects of imprisonment. Parole also improves public safety because it mandates DOC (Department of Corrections) supervision following release, and it would not be granted to anyone who represents a risk to the community.

A core value of mine, as a Unitarian/Universalist, is a belief that every person is inherently worthy and has the right to flourish with dignity, love, and compassion.

Bringing back parole connects with the UU value of compassion for those who have proven they are ready to be released from prison and go forward, with supervision, into the community.