

Dear,

11.15.13

Hon. David Borden

I am writing to you from [REDACTED] in reference to Public Act 10-129.

I know you are busy so I will try to keep this brief. It took me a long time to come to terms with what I did and why I did it. And for all the pain I caused my victims, I truly am sorry.

Today is the 15th of November and today is also my Birthday. The last Birthday I had, that I was on the street for, was when I turned 17 in 1993. I am 37 today and since I can't get parole because of the crime I committed I will be almost 47 years old when I discharge in 2023.

All I'm asking for is a meaningful shot at life while I'm still in good health. I'm still going to have to work for 20 years to make some kind of retirement for myself.

Ask yourself this, Does it better suit the public to let me out when I'm pushing 50, with nothing? Maybe some foodstamps at the taxpayers expense, or even SSI if that's still around.

Or, Does it suit the public better to give me parole and a Halfway house, some help while I acclimate into society?


I've been locked up for almost 20 years now, and before this I was in and out of long hane and all through the juvenile system. Honestly Sir, I'm Done!
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You got me, I give up. I don't think I could say anything to prove to you how much I've matured and changed since I've been incarcerated. But I do know, that if I was given a shot at parole I could definitely show you.


I am going home someday, as are most of the people you are targeting with this public Act. We are all going to discharge eventually. I just think somebody should speak up and take notice to the fact that we are all still going to have to work for 20 years once we do get out. We are all going to have to work towards retirement, and maybe it would better suit the public if you let us out a little earlier, with a lot of supervision, and the proper help we'll need to get on with our lives beyond the Department of Corrections.

As of right now, the way D.O.C. policy is written, you have me discharging on 8.31.2023. To where, I don't know, to what, I don't know. But after almost 30 years in prison it just doesn't seem right to just open up the door and just kick me out, without at least giving me a little bit of help.

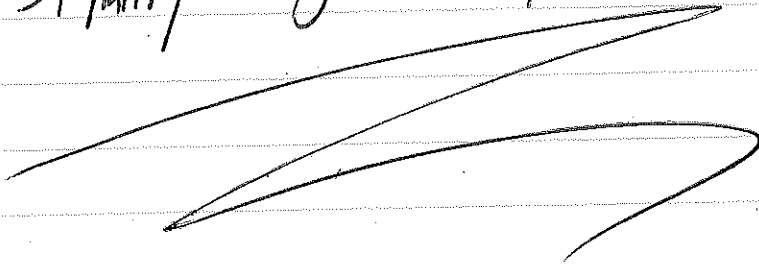
And that's pretty much what's going to happen to all of us if this policy of No Parole doesn't change.

Thank you for your time... Sincerely, 
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P.S.

If you have any questions or you need
any input on this matter, please contact me
here at 

Thank you Again for your time



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