

To the Committee:

I would like to thank you for considering voting **Yes** for Geriatric and Medical Parole, SB 0181.

I would like to take this time to introduce you to my daughter's father who is incarcerated at Western Correctional Institution. His name is Benjamin F. Boisseau Jr. He has been incarcerated since the age of 22 that's 33 years and he's been a modeled inmate. While incarcerated he has held many jobs including working in the kitchen, wood shop, tutoring, sanitation, property, building clerk, building representative etc.... He is highly involved in teaching, reading, exhibiting and modeling what his religion and GOD expect him to do on a daily basis. He has been diagnosed with Stage 4 Cancer. I have been the one who has been fighting for his medical treatment. Corizon put profit over care which caused Benjamin's cancer to go from stage 3 to stage 4 quickly. I had to keep a journal of Benjamin's medical treatment so that I could keep track of the many phone calls, messages left and lack of care. Benjamin worked in the infirmary and saw how people were too sick, bedridden, not coherent and lacked the good health to commit any crimes. Also, there have been studies that show that the older population does not tend to re-offend. They age out of committing crimes. Benjamin is 3 ½ years too young and does not qualify for this bill, but I am asking you to vote **Yes** for Geriatric and Medical Parole SB 0181.

Thank you,

Towanda Fenwick

