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To Chairman Clippinger and Members of the House Judiciary Committee:

This letter is to express support for HB 1275, the Suzanne Jones Act (Inmate Release).

District 38A is the home to Eastern Correctional Institution, the largest correctional institution in the State, with 3000 inmates. When the facility was built 30 years ago, we were promised that the inmates would be returned to their communities after serving their sentences.

HB 1275 relieves strain on the limited resources of the communities surrounding the correctional facility, and protects the safety of the community residents.

Respectfully submitted,

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