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PLEASE SUPPORT HB 1391-GERIATRIC PAROLE

Good afternoon Chairman, many thanks to Delegate Dumais, for bringing this very issue to the Committee, it is much appreciated, and we will forget it! Please be advise that parts of the Criminal Justice System are rapidly becoming GERIATRIC WARDS!

Maryland taxpayers pays well over the \$38,000 per inmates a year for younger inmates (last count). We hate to think of the rising cost of keeping elderly inmates in prison that pose no threat to society! We now have in the system, John Johnson#9990(48yrs.) and Leon Mack#.....(49yrs)!

MarylandCURE is in partnership with Maryland Alliance for Justice Reform (MAJR) urge the you to bring common sense to the table, recognize that “tough on crime” doesn’t work, being “smart on crime” does work!

There are about 465 elderlies at JCI (last count) and those with severe chronic illness, that benefit greatly from HB 1391. Your consideration of our request would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely, Lea Green, President

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