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Creative Solutions 4 Youth 501c3 is in favor of SB800 crafted by Senator Obie Patterson of the 26th District of Prince George's County.

Creative Solutions 4 Youth LLC is a 501 c3 consulting firm specializing in creating and implementing curriculums that focus on educating high school students, at-risk youth and returning citizens. We incorporate Hip-Hop culture, music and video production, music marketing and several other elements of the entertainment while strategically weaving in important life skills via the EZ Street Music Industry Academy.

The EZ Street Music Industry Academy is the first federally funded re-entry program of its kind to use Hip-Hop and popular culture as a form of expressive therapy designed to reduce recidivism. Our high retention, attendance and graduation rates are evidence that our program has changed lives and behaviors. Our goal is to increase public safety, and to strengthen families and our community.

For the last 3 years Creative Solutions 4 Youth 501 c3 has worked directly in the re-entry field with returning citizens requiring intense supervision for federal agency CSOSA and DYRS both in Washington DC.

SB800 strikes at the root of the problem facing returning citizens of Prince George's County. A creative & innovative holistic approach is needed if we are serious about reducing recidivism and increasing public safety in our community.

A wise person once said "We can not open new doors with old keys".

SB800 created by Senator Obie Patterson of the 26th District of Prince George's County is that "new key" this county has been waiting for.

Thank you.

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