



**House Judiciary Committee
Position: Favorable**

Dear Honorable Delegates,

I am writing to express my strong support for HB0037 which is due to be presented in the upcoming legislative session. As a concerned citizen and member of Black Girls Vote, I believe that this bill is critical to the well-being of our community and deserves your full support.

The Reentry Services for Women- Commission and Pilot Program-Establishment addresses an issue that is of great importance to our community, and if passed, it will have a positive impact on the lives of many people. It is a fact that the most critical time of a woman's reentry are the days immediately following her release. We need to take action to ensure that this bill will allow those to engage in local reentry navigators, to assist women with overcoming barriers that prevent them from identifying and accessing supportive services following incarceration.

The Reentry Services for Women offers a comprehensive solution to this issue. It will create a comprehensive reentry plan for formerly incarcerated women; requiring the Commission to study the challenges faced by formerly incarcerated women and gather data. These measures are vital to protecting the well-being of our community, and I strongly urge you to support this bill.

I understand that there may be some opposition to this bill, but I believe that the benefits it offers far outweigh any potential drawbacks. This bill has the potential to make a real difference in the lives of people in our community, and I ask that you give it your full support.

Thank you for considering my request. I look forward to hearing from you soon and to seeing the Reentry Services for Women-Commission and Pilot Program- Establishment become law.

Sincerely,

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