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SUPPORT SB 922

Dear Chairman Smith, Vice Chair Waldstreicher and esteemed Judicial Proceedings members,

I urge you to give a favorable report to SB 922 Rewarding Educational Milestones. As you realize this bill would require the Maryland prison system to apply enhanced diminution credits for educational achievement such as degrees and vocational certificates.

Educated and career-ready returning citizens are less likely to reoffend. Whereas the present system rewards completing prison work assignments with out infractions, SB 922 would motivate for the long term and increase the likelihood of successful reentry.

Thank you for your careful consideration of this legislation and its benefits to our communities.

Your steadfast and sincere work to improve the lives of all Maryland citizens is deeply appreciated.

Sincerely,
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