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Submitted to the Committee on Corrections

For HB 3158

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PATRICIA Jackson

self

AUSTIN, TX

Absolutely. There is data to show that employment decreases recidivism. AGREE

Lori Mellinger

Lioness: Justice Impacted Women's Alliance

Lockhart, TX

Strongly support this bill. If our state and its citizens do indeed believe in redemption, this one is a no brainer. Right now, licensure is one of the largest barriers to reentry and to building a sustainable life on the outside, thus putting them and society in danger of recidivism. The collateral consequences of incarceration are coming more and more to light and they need to end. When someone pays the price for a criminal conviction with incarceration or probation, the consequences should sunset when they have served their time.

Taylor Trevino

self - organizer

Austin, TX

I urge all Representatives to support this bill to give those who have been involved in the criminal justice system the best chance at getting back on track, supporting themselves and their families, and reintegrating into the community.

Dawn Runyon, Bd of Directors/Grants,Fundraising,Programs

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Magnolia, TX

I am in support of HB 3158