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Everyone deserves a second chance especially when progress in the right direction has been made.



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I fully support this bill!



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I support these bills because it would give the Missouri parole board greater discretion



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Inmates serving non-life sentences, as well as society at large, would benefit from the provisions of this bill because it rewards and incentivizes good behavior among inmates and encourages that good behavior to be continued after release.



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I'm in support of this bill for many reasons. On a personal level, my fiance has already done 10 years on a 30 year sentence , he will not see the parole board right now for 14 more years. However the person he is today is not the same person who went to prison 10 years ago. He has completed every program and class they have to offer, he has hundreds of certificates. He now teaches his own classes , he has truly been rehabilitated. Someone in the worse place has found the tools to become a better person and help others change their mindset as he has. As odd as it sounds hes grateful for his time in prison because he knows he needed it to become the person he is today. So many people do not take advantage of the opportunity to change but he has. I think he deserves a second chance and anyone who has worked with him I believe would say the same. He has a family to come home to and would continue to help others from the outside to help prevent them from going the route he did. Generally I think having a program like this would give incentive for offenders to truly change , give them hope to become better and come home. When there is an option to do the footwork and reap the benefits I think offenders would succeed in truly rehabilitating themselves. In my opinion, Offenders who would benefit from this have already put in their time , they have done all they can and will continue to stay on the right path when they are looking at the doors opening as a real option. Please consider this testimony.



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I am supporting HB 382 and HB 372 Good Time Credit because it will reduce sentences to those who have shown progress by attending classes, volunteering, furthering their education, and having the desire to reform their selves to become meaningful members of their community upon release. There are inmates who have lengthy sentences but have completed all required coursework, never been disciplined, and live in the honor house which is a privilege based their behavior. I feel these inmates should be given an opportunity to have reduced sentences so they can be reunited with their families as they have worked hard to make good choices and follow rules while being incarcerated.



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I am in support of this bill. I have a loved one who is incarcerated and has been for over 20 years. They have made such drastic changes and are no where near the person they were when they went in. He has been in programs to learn and better himself. He makes better choices every day. This could make a huge difference in so many lives if passed.



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As the largest and oldest anti-poverty non-profit in our state, Empower Missouri is committed to improving the quality of life for all Missouri residents through advocacy. Since our inception, Empower Missouri has focused on the criminal justice system and its impacts. Our Community Justice Coalition consists of community advocates and organizations from across the state who work with those who have been impacted by the criminal justice system. Many coalition members are formerly incarcerated or have currently incarcerated loved ones, and all are connected by a vision for a future without mass incarceration.

We are providing testimony today in support of HB 372, sponsored by Representative Collins, and HB 382, sponsored by Representative Aldridge, which would address provisions relating to good time credit for individuals committed to the Department of Corrections. Good time credit is time that once earned, shall be subtracted from the offender's minimum eligibility-for-release date. The accumulation of this credit does not require that the individual be released, as the parole board retains discretion to determine the date of release. Specifically, these bills would award 60 days of good time credit for incarcerated individuals who successfully complete certain programs, including those who receive a high school or college diploma or vocational training certificate, complete an alcohol or drug course other than those ordered by the court or parole board, or complete 1,000 hours of restorative justice programming. This expansion of good time credits would have a positive impact on incarcerated individuals, their loved ones, the environment within correctional facilities, and ultimately Missouri communities. The availability of such credits based on the merits of a person's behavior can make the prison environment safer for other incarcerated individuals and correctional officers. Through incentivizing good behavior, rather than punishing bad behavior, good time credits help incarcerated individuals develop positive habits that will lead to reduced recidivism outcomes after their release. The programs included in HB 372 and HB 382 incorporate educational opportunities, vocational training, and rehabilitation, all critical elements in preparing individuals for reentry and improving community safety for all. As an aside, in order to ensure that HB 372, HB 382, and other legislation has the intended impact of promoting program participation for incarcerated individuals (thereby reducing recidivism), the legislature may also need to consider increased resources for rehabilitative and educational programs in the Department of Corrections. We trust the legislature will consider this as part of the appropriations process. Empower Missouri urges this committee to take action to pass HB 372 and HB 382 into law. Thank you for your time and consideration of this matter.



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I support this bill to be passed!!



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This would be a wonderful thing for the people incarcerated that are trying to better themselves, stay out of trouble while incarcerated. My person was given 15 years with others accused by the same person only got probation or 120 days and he is having to do max time. He is a hard worker doesn't get into trouble works in maintenance keeps the place up and running good. Until now he didn't have a high school diploma and doesn't get paid to work, as soon as they record his high set scores he will get his diploma and start getting paid a little to work. He has gotten his diploma in the last year and trying to find things to improve his life. This would help him so much to be able to work towards getting his time reduced. This should be able to be used for all first time offenders. Since MO is a hear say state there are multiple people in prison on charges that do not have to be proven you just have to convince judges and or prosecuting attorneys that someone did something and bam your locked up for years with no way out but time. With all that being said I totally agree with the good time credit I think it will help some of the people straighten up and try to do the right things. I go see my husband every week it is hard to see the things that goes on in a place like that with people we love. Thank you for your time. Kelly



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I support HB382 and any similar bills, which further define the good time credit program for offenders in Missouri. The efforts and hard work of offenders should be recognized and should reduce their terms. We must fully define these options and make them available to offenders. After all, rehabilitation is the primary purpose of prison. We want people to better themselves, learn from any of their prior mistakes, and rejoin society. This bill helps them do that. Please support this bill.



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I know several guys in the system, and I honestly feel their hard work should be noticed. They work every day they can, have multiple certificates, and GEDs. All they want to do is get out, rebuild a life with their families, and go to work. My husband is one of those guys. His brother is another, and some of his friends in there. They are either leads at their jobs, and my brother in law is a tutor for the classes offered. They really are good guys, most had to grow up in the system, and they are not the same guys that went in. All the guys I know in the have a really good support system for when they get out. I really do feel it will be beneficial for everyone if they get released. They already have homes to go to, jobs lined up for when they get home, and will be pillars of the community. Thank you for taking the time to listen to my testimony.



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The Good Time Credit is about giving credit for doing what is expected of you while in prison. It is about taking advantage of the opportunities to learn from your mistakes and improve yourself for when you are released. Jacob is a first-time offender given the maximum of 15 years for the choice he made at 24 years of age. Jacob knew he deserved prison time and he made a promise to himself and God that he would use his time to become a better man when he was released. In the 6.5 years he has spent in prison, he has received 1 minor write-up for being "out of bounds". This write up happened when he was first entered Diagnostics. Since that write-up he has kept his record clean. Jacob has participated in all the programs offered including facilitating several during his time. Jacob has been in the Therapeutic Care Unit (TCU), Honors Dorm and Kryos programs. Jacob has continuously held a job working in the kitchen, maintenance, facilities, and several others. His biggest accomplishment to date has been completing his Associates in Christian Ministry and continuing to work towards his bachelor's degree through an online, accredited university. He has been asked to speak in front of both small and large groups sharing his story. Jacob's dream for the future is to help other young men so they do not find themselves in a similar situation. Did prison make Jacob a better person? The answer is yes because he has taken advantage of the programs and the situation to become a better person. Will serving 15 years make him a better person? The answer is no! Jacob will continue to do what is right because it is the right choice not because he has served his maximum of 15 years on a first-time offense. The data shows a Missouri prisoner cost approximately \$32,000/yearly. A full 15-year sentence will cost the state of Missouri \$480,000 which is a true financial burden when resources are needed elsewhere. My son has been making all the right choices long before the Good Time Credit was even a thought. There are so many incarcerated individuals just like Jacob, making good choices, taking advantage of resources and serving their time while planning for a brighter future for themselves. This bill would prove that making a mistake can be overcome and encourages others with an incentive to better themselves in programs that will impact their lives forever.



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WITNESS NAME: STEFANIE COLEMAN		PHONE NUMBER:
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I am the wife of an offender currently incarcerated in Missouri. This credit would give him an opportunity to come home sooner rather than later and allow him to have time with his daughter as well as our family. He has a great support system in place as well as family, a home to come to due to his many certificate and a trade that he has become excellent at, he will be able to seek employment and no longer be a burden on tax payers or the state. My husband is a changed man from the one who stepped inside prison years ago and continues to become a better man, father and husband on a daily basis. He as well as many others deserve a chance to right their wrongs and be a valuable member to society. This bill would give them the opportunity to do so and show how they have changed and became a value instead of a burden. It would also allow families to come and stay together. It would also show the ones who have really changed by continuing to improve their lives and the lives of their families and take a huge financial burden off of the loved ones who are supporting them. Thank you



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WITNESS NAME: SUSAN GIBSON		PHONE NUMBER:
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A proponent of restorative justice, I support this bill.



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WITNESS NAME: TARA MARIE RICE		PHONE NUMBER:
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People change. Look at their history and how their circumstances growing up from abuse, neglect and drug addiction had affected them. Look at yourself.... Are you the same person as you were ten, twenty, or so on years ago. My boyfriend is an example. A judge had a personal hate for him. His crime was murder but he was forced into saying things, given poor representation, denied rights, under the influence, lifetime of abuse, and his crime scene was tampered with. His accomplice got less time but did more because of lies. My fiancé has since then. Been a model prisoner, learned a trade, got his ged, continues to do college, oh learning another trade, not one violation his entire sentence, hee refuses to take money from anyone even myself or family. He's in the puppy program, takes full responsibility for his actions the night of his crime, shows so much love to me and family, has never once raised his voice to me, respects others, stays clean, teaches classes and church. Now tell me people can't learn and change and find the lord and let Jesus in. Good time deserves a second chance.



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Inmates should not lose good time unless the individual is making a habit of getting in trouble because I know personally that sometimes inmates get in trouble for things they did not do. Thank you for reading my statement.



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I think good time should be rewarded. Some inmates go in there first time and never return. It changes them. U can tell by the way they act in there. I'm for this bill.



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Please change the percent to 65 and let the good time credit bill pass. Let these men out and give them a second chance.