



MISSOURI HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
**WITNESS APPEARANCE FORM**

BILL NUMBER: <b>SB 888</b>		DATE: <b>3/10/2026</b>	
COMMITTEE: <b>Corrections and Public Institutions</b>			
<b>TESTIFYING:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IN SUPPORT OF <input type="checkbox"/> IN OPPOSITION TO <input type="checkbox"/> FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES			
<b>WITNESS NAME</b>			
<b>BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION:</b>			
WITNESS NAME: <b>ARNIE C. A.C. "HONEST ABE" DIENOFF</b>		PHONE NUMBER: <b>314-440-9000</b>	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME: <b>STATE PUBLIC ADVOCACY</b>		TITLE: <b>STATE PUBLIC ADVOCATE</b>	
ADDRESS: <b>PO BOX 1535</b>			
CITY: <b>O'FALLON</b>		STATE: <b>MO</b>	ZIP: <b>63366</b>
EMAIL:	ATTENDANCE:	SUBMIT DATE: <b>3/10/2026 12:00 AM</b>	
<b>THE INFORMATION ON THIS FORM IS PUBLIC RECORD UNDER CHAPTER 610, RSMo.</b>			



MISSOURI HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
**WITNESS APPEARANCE FORM**

BILL NUMBER: <b>SB 888</b>		DATE: <b>3/10/2026</b>
COMMITTEE: <b>Corrections and Public Institutions</b>		
<b>TESTIFYING:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IN SUPPORT OF <input type="checkbox"/> IN OPPOSITION TO <input type="checkbox"/> FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES		
<b>WITNESS NAME</b>		
<b>BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION:</b>		
WITNESS NAME: <b>BYRON KEELIN</b>		PHONE NUMBER: <b>314-402-0655</b>
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME: <b>FREEDOM PRINCIPLE</b>		TITLE: <b>PRESIDENT</b>
ADDRESS: <b>PO BOX 2</b>		
CITY: <b>BALLWIN</b>	STATE: <b>MO</b>	ZIP: <b>63022</b>
EMAIL: <b>freedomprinciplemo@protonmail.com</b>	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>	SUBMIT DATE: <b>3/10/2026 6:21 AM</b>

**THE INFORMATION ON THIS FORM IS PUBLIC RECORD UNDER CHAPTER 610, RSMo.**

The Freedom Principle supports Senate Bill 888. We believe this legislation represents a critical advancement in Missouri’s criminal justice system by strengthening public safety, aligning sentencing with the severity of offenses, and promoting both accountability and rehabilitation. SB 888 provides much-needed clarity and consistency in sentencing laws by updating the authorized terms of imprisonment for all offense classes, including specific requirements for parole eligibility, particularly for dangerous felonies and serious offenses such as those requiring sex offender registration. By ensuring that offenders convicted of the most serious crimes—such as Class A or B felonies and certain sex offenses—are ineligible for early release or parole until significant portions of their sentences are served, the bill helps protect communities and reinforce public trust in the justice system.

Equally important are the bill’s updates to juvenile justice, ensuring that offenses involving severe harm or repeat conduct by minors are handled with appropriate seriousness while still giving courts discretion and maintaining vital rehabilitation options. The provisions requiring precise record-keeping and reporting enhance oversight and promote transparency statewide, enabling better data-driven policymaking.

SB 888 also takes significant steps to refine procedures for restitution, parole, and alternative sentencing, allowing the justice system to prioritize rehabilitation for nonviolent offenders—including expanded access to supervised treatment programs and clear processes for earned jail-time credit. This approach not only conserves correctional resources but also gives individuals a fair pathway to successful reintegration into society, ultimately reducing recidivism.

In summary, SB 888 delivers balanced reform: it holds violent and repeat offenders to stringent standards while providing pathways for treatment and rehabilitation for others, all with enhanced transparency and judicial discretion. I urge support for this important measure to create safer communities and a fairer, more effective criminal justice system for all Missourians.



MISSOURI HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
**WITNESS APPEARANCE FORM**

BILL NUMBER: <b>SB 888</b>		DATE: <b>3/10/2026</b>	
COMMITTEE: <b>Corrections and Public Institutions</b>			
<b>TESTIFYING:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IN SUPPORT OF <input type="checkbox"/> IN OPPOSITION TO <input type="checkbox"/> FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES			
<b>WITNESS NAME</b>			
<b>BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION:</b>			
WITNESS NAME: <b>JAY SCHROEDER</b>		PHONE NUMBER: <b>573-632-4209</b>	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME: <b>MISSOURI FOP</b>		TITLE: <b>PRESIDENT</b>	
ADDRESS: <b>715 JEFFERSON ST</b>			
CITY: <b>JEFFERSON CITY</b>		STATE: <b>MO</b>	ZIP: <b>65101</b>
EMAIL:	ATTENDANCE:	SUBMIT DATE: <b>3/10/2026 12:00 AM</b>	
<b>THE INFORMATION ON THIS FORM IS PUBLIC RECORD UNDER CHAPTER 610, RSMo.</b>			



MISSOURI HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
**WITNESS APPEARANCE FORM**

BILL NUMBER: <b>SB 888</b>		DATE: <b>3/10/2026</b>	
COMMITTEE: <b>Corrections and Public Institutions</b>			
<b>TESTIFYING:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IN SUPPORT OF <input type="checkbox"/> IN OPPOSITION TO <input type="checkbox"/> FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES			
<b>WITNESS NAME</b>			
<b>BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION:</b>			
WITNESS NAME: <b>LOCKE THOMPSON</b>		PHONE NUMBER: <b>573-634-9180</b>	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME: <b>MISSOURI ASSOCIATION OF PROSECUTING ATTORNEYS</b>		TITLE:	
ADDRESS: <b>311 E HIGH #300</b>			
CITY: <b>JEFFERSON CITY</b>		STATE: <b>MO</b>	ZIP: <b>65109</b>
EMAIL:	ATTENDANCE:	SUBMIT DATE: <b>3/10/2026 12:00 AM</b>	
<b>THE INFORMATION ON THIS FORM IS PUBLIC RECORD UNDER CHAPTER 610, RSMo.</b>			



MISSOURI HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
**WITNESS APPEARANCE FORM**

BILL NUMBER: <b>SB 888</b>		DATE: <b>3/10/2026</b>	
COMMITTEE: <b>Corrections and Public Institutions</b>			
<b>TESTIFYING:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IN SUPPORT OF <input type="checkbox"/> IN OPPOSITION TO <input type="checkbox"/> FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES			
<b>WITNESS NAME</b>			
<b>BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION:</b>			
WITNESS NAME: <b>LT. ALEX VIVAS</b>		PHONE NUMBER: <b>816-896-9931</b>	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME: <b>MISSOURI STATE HIGHWAY PATROL</b>		TITLE: <b>CHIEF OF STAFF</b>	
ADDRESS: <b>1510 E. ELM ST.</b>			
CITY: <b>JEFFERSON CITY</b>		STATE: <b>MO</b>	ZIP: <b>65101</b>
EMAIL:	ATTENDANCE:	SUBMIT DATE: <b>3/10/2026 12:00 AM</b>	
<b>THE INFORMATION ON THIS FORM IS PUBLIC RECORD UNDER CHAPTER 610, RSMo.</b>			



MISSOURI HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
**WITNESS APPEARANCE FORM**

BILL NUMBER: <b>SB 888</b>		DATE: <b>3/10/2026</b>	
COMMITTEE: <b>Corrections and Public Institutions</b>			
<b>TESTIFYING:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IN SUPPORT OF <input type="checkbox"/> IN OPPOSITION TO <input type="checkbox"/> FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES			
<b>WITNESS NAME</b>			
<b>REGISTERED LOBBYIST:</b>			
WITNESS NAME: <b>SHAWN RHOADS</b>		PHONE NUMBER:	
REPRESENTING: <b>MISSOURI SHERIFFS UNITED</b>		TITLE:	
ADDRESS: <b>BUSINESS HWY 50</b>			
CITY: <b>JEFFERSON CITY</b>		STATE: <b>MO</b>	ZIP:
EMAIL:	ATTENDANCE:	SUBMIT DATE: <b>3/10/2026 12:00 AM</b>	
<b>THE INFORMATION ON THIS FORM IS PUBLIC RECORD UNDER CHAPTER 610, RSMo.</b>			



MISSOURI HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
**WITNESS APPEARANCE FORM**

BILL NUMBER: <b>SB 888</b>		DATE: <b>3/10/2026</b>
COMMITTEE: <b>Corrections and Public Institutions</b>		
<b>TESTIFYING:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IN SUPPORT OF <input type="checkbox"/> IN OPPOSITION TO <input type="checkbox"/> FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES		
<b>WITNESS NAME</b>		
<b>BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION:</b>		
WITNESS NAME: <b>TREVOR FOLEY</b>		PHONE NUMBER: <b>573-526-6607</b>
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME: <b>MO DEPT OF CORRECTIONS</b>		TITLE: <b>DIRECTOR OF CORRECTIONS</b>
ADDRESS: <b>2729 PLAZA DR.</b>		
CITY: <b>JEFFERSON CITY</b>		STATE: <b>MO</b>
		ZIP: <b>65109</b>
EMAIL:	ATTENDANCE:	SUBMIT DATE: <b>3/10/2026 12:00 AM</b>
<b>THE INFORMATION ON THIS FORM IS PUBLIC RECORD UNDER CHAPTER 610, RSMo.</b>		



MISSOURI HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
**WITNESS APPEARANCE FORM**

BILL NUMBER: <b>SB 888</b>		DATE: <b>3/10/2026</b>
COMMITTEE: <b>Corrections and Public Institutions</b>		
<b>TESTIFYING:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IN SUPPORT OF <input type="checkbox"/> IN OPPOSITION TO <input type="checkbox"/> FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES		
<b>WITNESS NAME</b>		
<b>REGISTERED LOBBYIST:</b>		
WITNESS NAME: <b>W SCOTT SWAIN</b>		PHONE NUMBER: <b>573-230-8138</b>
REPRESENTING: <b>POLICE CHIEFS LEGISLATIVE COALITION</b>		TITLE:
ADDRESS: <b>104 CLAY</b>		
CITY: <b>JEFFERSON CITY</b>		STATE: <b>MO</b>
		ZIP: <b>65101</b>
EMAIL:	ATTENDANCE:	SUBMIT DATE: <b>3/10/2026 12:00 AM</b>
<b>THE INFORMATION ON THIS FORM IS PUBLIC RECORD UNDER CHAPTER 610, RSMo.</b>		



MISSOURI HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
**WITNESS APPEARANCE FORM**

BILL NUMBER: <b>SB 888</b>		DATE: <b>3/10/2026</b>	
COMMITTEE: <b>Corrections and Public Institutions</b>			
<b>TESTIFYING:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> IN SUPPORT OF <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IN OPPOSITION TO <input type="checkbox"/> FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES			
<b>WITNESS NAME</b>			
<b>BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION:</b>			
WITNESS NAME: <b>CLIFFTON DAVIS</b>		PHONE NUMBER: <b>573-590-1107</b>	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME: <b>MOJUSTICE.ORG</b>		TITLE: <b>ADVOCATE</b>	
ADDRESS: <b>4608 DERBY RIDGE DR</b>			
CITY: <b>COLUMBIA</b>		STATE: <b>MO</b>	ZIP: <b>65202</b>
EMAIL:	ATTENDANCE:	SUBMIT DATE: <b>3/10/2026 12:00 AM</b>	
<b>THE INFORMATION ON THIS FORM IS PUBLIC RECORD UNDER CHAPTER 610, RSMo.</b>			



MISSOURI HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
**WITNESS APPEARANCE FORM**

BILL NUMBER: <b>SB 888</b>		DATE: <b>3/10/2026</b>
COMMITTEE: <b>Corrections and Public Institutions</b>		
<b>TESTIFYING:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> IN SUPPORT OF <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IN OPPOSITION TO <input type="checkbox"/> FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES		
<b>WITNESS NAME</b>		
<b>INDIVIDUAL:</b>		
WITNESS NAME: <b>DAVA-LEIGH BRUSH</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
ADDRESS:		
CITY:		STATE:      ZIP:
EMAIL:	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>	SUBMIT DATE: <b>3/9/2026 10:15 PM</b>
<b>THE INFORMATION ON THIS FORM IS PUBLIC RECORD UNDER CHAPTER 610, RSMo.</b>		

**I oppose this bill. The same day the House decided kids need protection from the internet, they decide they're adults? Spending resources mitigating factors underlying crime would be better than incarceration.**

**Let's work on holding actually trying adults for their crimes first**



MISSOURI HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
**WITNESS APPEARANCE FORM**

BILL NUMBER: <b>SB 888</b>		DATE: <b>3/10/2026</b>	
COMMITTEE: <b>Corrections and Public Institutions</b>			
<b>TESTIFYING:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> IN SUPPORT OF <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IN OPPOSITION TO <input type="checkbox"/> FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES			
<b>WITNESS NAME</b>			
<b>BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION:</b>			
WITNESS NAME: <b>GWEN SMITH</b>		PHONE NUMBER: <b>314-324-9656</b>	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME: <b>EMPOWER MISSOURI</b>		TITLE: <b>CRIMINAL JUSTICE POLICY MANAGER</b>	
ADDRESS: <b>P.O. BOX 104900</b>			
CITY: <b>JEFFERSON CITY</b>		STATE: <b>MO</b>	ZIP: <b>65110</b>
EMAIL: <b>gwen@empowermissouri.org</b>	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>	SUBMIT DATE: <b>3/10/2026 5:54 PM</b>	

**THE INFORMATION ON THIS FORM IS PUBLIC RECORD UNDER CHAPTER 610, RSMo.**

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 its inception, Empower Missouri has prioritized addressing the criminal justice system and its impacts. Through research, education and policy advocacy, Empower Missouri works to ensure that Missouri’s criminal justice policies reflect values of equity, public safety, and respect for human life.

SB 888 just received an alarming new fiscal note, which anticipates that the bill’s impacts would increase our state’s prison population to such an extent that it would require a new prison to be built, a project that would cost taxpayers at least \$825,000,000.

The provisions in this bill include some of the recommendations for the Missouri Sentencing Advisory Committee (MOSAC), which we have expressed concern about from the beginning of this session. While we understand the desire for law enforcement, victims, and communities to have a better understanding of how long a person will be incarcerated, these recommendations must be incorporated into current law in a way that has a neutral impact on the budget, perhaps by further decreasing the recommended sentences for nonviolent offenders, many of whom suffer from addiction or mental health issues and who already would be better served by community-based treatment programs rather than prisons. There is simply no evidence that longer prison sentences reduce crime in communities.

DOC is already struggling to maintain appropriate staffing levels in its existing facilities. DOC currently has 960 vacancies on staff. Because of extreme staffing shortages, DOC spent \$54,000,000 last year in overtime alone. There is no evidence to suggest that DOC could staff a new prison facility appropriately, and even if they could, it would come at an even higher cost due to the extreme use of overtime pay in these facilities.

At a time when Missouri is operating in a budget-constrained environment, and legislators are being asked to slash millions of dollars from programs serving children, seniors, and disabled individuals, we sincerely hope that you would not approve a proposal that would force further cuts to those programs so that Missouri can allocate money for an additional prison instead.

There are several specific portions of the bill that we would like to call attention to:

The elimination of conditional release for Class A and B felonies and sexual offenses will lead to further increases in the prison population, potentially even beyond what is reflected in the current fiscal note. Conditional release was created as a fail-safe to ensure that parole boards release people from prison for at least some period of community supervision. If conditional release is no longer mandated for more serious offenses, there is no reason to think everyone currently being held until their conditional release date would be paroled instead. These proposed changes to the sentencing

structure rely heavily on the parole board to function fairly and effectively, without any reforms made in response to long-standing concerns about the parole process.

The sentencing enhancement for Class E third or subsequent offenses (50% of the sentence to be served before parole eligibility) will have an outsized impact on individuals struggling with addiction and mental health issues. It is very typical for someone to receive multiple lower-level charges in a single incident, such as being charged with possession of multiple drugs, each carrying a separate charge. Substance abuse can be more effectively and affordably treated in the community.

The changes proposed to juvenile justice processes, particularly increased prosecutor involvement in certifications, will almost certainly result in more youth being certified as adults. Most children naturally grow out of delinquent behavior, but incarceration can be counterproductive to this process. This impact is even greater for those who have been certified as adults: children in adult correctional facilities are 34 percent more likely to recidivate than those within the juvenile system.

This bill needs more work. We urge you to take your time and work with the necessary parties to renegotiate the provisions of this bill so that taxpayers aren't saddled with the cost of a new prison.



MISSOURI HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
**WITNESS APPEARANCE FORM**

BILL NUMBER: <b>SB 888</b>		DATE: <b>3/10/2026</b>
COMMITTEE: <b>Corrections and Public Institutions</b>		
<b>TESTIFYING:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> IN SUPPORT OF <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IN OPPOSITION TO <input type="checkbox"/> FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES		
<b>WITNESS NAME</b>		
<b>INDIVIDUAL:</b>		
WITNESS NAME: <b>JANELLE HARRIS</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
ADDRESS:		
CITY:		STATE:      ZIP:
EMAIL:	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>	SUBMIT DATE: <b>3/10/2026 6:12 AM</b>
<b>THE INFORMATION ON THIS FORM IS PUBLIC RECORD UNDER CHAPTER 610, RSMo.</b>		

Prisons are not designed for juvenile offenders. Children that end up in the justice system are there because they have been failed by adults. Placing them with adult offenders nearly guarantees a life of increasingly serious crimes. Juvenile offenders need counseling, career counseling and guidance on how to become a successful, productive member of society. Prisons are no place for children.



MISSOURI HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
**WITNESS APPEARANCE FORM**

BILL NUMBER: <b>SB 888</b>		DATE: <b>3/10/2026</b>
COMMITTEE: <b>Corrections and Public Institutions</b>		
<b>TESTIFYING:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> IN SUPPORT OF <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IN OPPOSITION TO <input type="checkbox"/> FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES		
<b>WITNESS NAME</b>		
<b>INDIVIDUAL:</b>		
WITNESS NAME: <b>JILL HAMILTON</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
ADDRESS:		
CITY:		STATE:      ZIP:
EMAIL:	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>	SUBMIT DATE: <b>3/9/2026 9:43 PM</b>
<b>THE INFORMATION ON THIS FORM IS PUBLIC RECORD UNDER CHAPTER 610, RSMo.</b>		



MISSOURI HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
**WITNESS APPEARANCE FORM**

BILL NUMBER: <b>SB 888</b>		DATE: <b>3/10/2026</b>	
COMMITTEE: <b>Corrections and Public Institutions</b>			
<b>TESTIFYING:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> IN SUPPORT OF <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IN OPPOSITION TO <input type="checkbox"/> FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES			
<b>WITNESS NAME</b>			
<b>REGISTERED LOBBYIST:</b>			
WITNESS NAME: <b>LISA PANNETT</b>		PHONE NUMBER: <b>573-280-1585</b>	
REPRESENTING: <b>ARMORVINE</b>		TITLE:	
ADDRESS: <b>226 KADIE CT</b>			
CITY: <b>LINN CREEK</b>		STATE: <b>MO</b>	ZIP: <b>65052</b>
EMAIL:	ATTENDANCE:	SUBMIT DATE: <b>3/10/2026 12:00 AM</b>	
<b>THE INFORMATION ON THIS FORM IS PUBLIC RECORD UNDER CHAPTER 610, RSMo.</b>			



MISSOURI HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
**WITNESS APPEARANCE FORM**

BILL NUMBER: <b>SB 888</b>		DATE: <b>3/10/2026</b>	
COMMITTEE: <b>Corrections and Public Institutions</b>			
<b>TESTIFYING:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> IN SUPPORT OF <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IN OPPOSITION TO <input type="checkbox"/> FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES			
<b>WITNESS NAME</b>			
<b>REGISTERED LOBBYIST:</b>			
WITNESS NAME: <b>MATTHEW CROWELL</b>		PHONE NUMBER: <b>573-465-3011</b>	
REPRESENTING: <b>MO STATE PUBLIC DEFENDER</b>		TITLE:	
ADDRESS: <b>901 N PINE STREET</b>			
CITY: <b>ROLLA</b>		STATE: <b>MO</b>	ZIP: <b>65401</b>
EMAIL:	ATTENDANCE:	SUBMIT DATE: <b>3/10/2026 12:00 AM</b>	
<b>THE INFORMATION ON THIS FORM IS PUBLIC RECORD UNDER CHAPTER 610, RSMo.</b>			



MISSOURI HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
**WITNESS APPEARANCE FORM**

BILL NUMBER: <b>SB 888</b>		DATE: <b>3/10/2026</b>	
COMMITTEE: <b>Corrections and Public Institutions</b>			
<b>TESTIFYING:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> IN SUPPORT OF <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IN OPPOSITION TO <input type="checkbox"/> FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES			
<b>WITNESS NAME</b>			
<b>INDIVIDUAL:</b>			
WITNESS NAME: <b>MICHAEL DREYER</b>		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
ADDRESS:			
CITY:		STATE:	ZIP:
EMAIL:	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>	SUBMIT DATE: <b>3/10/2026 10:42 PM</b>	
<b>THE INFORMATION ON THIS FORM IS PUBLIC RECORD UNDER CHAPTER 610, RSMo.</b>			

I stand in strong opposition to SB888 (Schroer), which represents a dangerous retreat from Missouri's own successful and evidence-based model of juvenile justice.

These bills dismantle the nationally recognized "Missouri Model," which prioritizes rehabilitation over punishment and boasts recidivism rates below 9%. They abandon this proven approach to warehouse children in an adult system where studies show they are 34% more likely to reoffend. This is not justice; it is a recipe for creating more traumatized, system-involved adults.

The bills dangerously shift power from judges and juvenile officers—trained in adolescent development—to prosecutors, accelerating a "punishment-first" pipeline. They will worsen our state's profound racial disparities, where Black youth are already transferred at far higher rates. Further, it takes the cruel and counterproductive step of criminalizing parents and caregivers who are struggling, threatening them with charges instead of offering support services. This punishes poverty and family stress, undermining the very communities we should be strengthening.

In addition, creating a permanent criminal database for juveniles sabotages rehabilitation and future opportunities. This is not fixing a broken system; it is breaking a successful one.

We do not have a crisis requiring this punitive expansion. The current system already allows for the appropriate handling of serious offenses. This legislation is fiscally irresponsible and morally wrong. I urge you to reject these bills and instead invest in the community-based, restorative interventions that truly keep our youth and our communities safe.



MISSOURI HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
**WITNESS APPEARANCE FORM**

BILL NUMBER: <b>SB 888</b>		DATE: <b>3/10/2026</b>	
COMMITTEE: <b>Corrections and Public Institutions</b>			
<b>TESTIFYING:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> IN SUPPORT OF <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IN OPPOSITION TO <input type="checkbox"/> FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES			
<b>WITNESS NAME</b>			
<b>INDIVIDUAL:</b>			
WITNESS NAME: <b>PASTOR RICHARD JACKSON</b>		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
ADDRESS:			
CITY:		STATE:	ZIP:
EMAIL:	ATTENDANCE:	SUBMIT DATE: <b>3/10/2026 12:00 AM</b>	
<b>THE INFORMATION ON THIS FORM IS PUBLIC RECORD UNDER CHAPTER 610, RSMo.</b>			



MISSOURI HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
**WITNESS APPEARANCE FORM**

BILL NUMBER: <b>SB 888</b>		DATE: <b>3/10/2026</b>	
COMMITTEE: <b>Corrections and Public Institutions</b>			
<b>TESTIFYING:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> IN SUPPORT OF <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IN OPPOSITION TO <input type="checkbox"/> FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES			
<b>WITNESS NAME</b>			
<b>INDIVIDUAL:</b>			
WITNESS NAME: <b>SHARON STRICKLAND</b>		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
ADDRESS:			
CITY:		STATE:	ZIP:
EMAIL:	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>		SUBMIT DATE: <b>3/10/2026 10:00 PM</b>
<b>THE INFORMATION ON THIS FORM IS PUBLIC RECORD UNDER CHAPTER 610, RSMo.</b>			

**This bill is wrong approach and does nothing to reform behavior of kids (they AREN'T adults). They only learn worse behavior in violent prison systems. Restorative justice works and we certainly need something that works, instead of going down the same road that hasn't had a good track record.**



MISSOURI HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
**WITNESS APPEARANCE FORM**

BILL NUMBER: <b>SB 888</b>		DATE: <b>3/10/2026</b>	
COMMITTEE: <b>Corrections and Public Institutions</b>			
<b>TESTIFYING:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> IN SUPPORT OF <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IN OPPOSITION TO <input type="checkbox"/> FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES			
<b>WITNESS NAME</b>			
<b>BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION:</b>			
WITNESS NAME: <b>SHEENA ROGERS</b>		PHONE NUMBER: <b>417-635-9030</b>	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME: <b>MISSOURI JUSTICE COALITION/SHOW ME JUSTICE FOR ALL</b>		TITLE: <b>SENIOR ORGANIZER &amp; EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR</b>	
ADDRESS: <b>6412 TIGER RD</b>			
CITY: <b>PIERCE CITY</b>		STATE: <b>MO</b>	ZIP: <b>65723</b>
EMAIL:	ATTENDANCE:	SUBMIT DATE: <b>3/10/2026 12:00 AM</b>	
<b>THE INFORMATION ON THIS FORM IS PUBLIC RECORD UNDER CHAPTER 610, RSMo.</b>			



MISSOURI HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
**WITNESS APPEARANCE FORM**

BILL NUMBER: <b>SB 888</b>		DATE: <b>3/10/2026</b>
COMMITTEE: <b>Corrections and Public Institutions</b>		
<b>TESTIFYING:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> IN SUPPORT OF <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IN OPPOSITION TO <input type="checkbox"/> FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES		
<b>WITNESS NAME</b>		
<b>INDIVIDUAL:</b>		
WITNESS NAME: <b>SUSAN GIBSON</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
ADDRESS:		
CITY:		STATE:      ZIP:
EMAIL:	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>	SUBMIT DATE: <b>3/9/2026 9:26 PM</b>
<b>THE INFORMATION ON THIS FORM IS PUBLIC RECORD UNDER CHAPTER 610, RSMo.</b>		

**Absolutely not! Any child who commits a crime has had worse done to them by adults in their lives. Representatives of the state \*must not\* pile on and join the ranks of those abusive adults. Prison is no place for a child! Restorative justice is called for here, not more cruelty.**



MISSOURI HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
**WITNESS APPEARANCE FORM**

BILL NUMBER: <b>SB 888</b>		DATE: <b>3/10/2026</b>	
COMMITTEE: <b>Corrections and Public Institutions</b>			
<b>TESTIFYING:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> IN SUPPORT OF <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IN OPPOSITION TO <input type="checkbox"/> FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES			
<b>WITNESS NAME</b>			
<b>INDIVIDUAL:</b>			
WITNESS NAME: <b>TARA</b>		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
ADDRESS:			
CITY:		STATE:	ZIP:
EMAIL:	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>	SUBMIT DATE: <b>3/10/2026 8:16 AM</b>	

**THE INFORMATION ON THIS FORM IS PUBLIC RECORD UNDER CHAPTER 610, RSMo.**

**No laws to force judges to place babies and children with adults incarcerated housing.  
 Missouri schools systems encourage a home learning environments. Forcing children to a limit of resource or rescue from physical/mental sexual abuses.  
 Religious Families of wackadoodle faiths that create babies force children forced to birth in while incarcerated equates to a population much much larger than our trans juveniles.**

**The freebies and national low corporate taxation of Missouri lawmakers to shower less humane conduct towards humans and fellow Americans incarcerated as a child of ignorance or abuse needs to review the benefits to cost of the child's life time of taxation and productivity against a incarceration corporations in or out of this state's board fiscal return.**

**Growth and investment in children of Missouri that have been given less and less by this State are not going to be ignored for back pocket conduct.**



MISSOURI HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
**WITNESS APPEARANCE FORM**

BILL NUMBER: <b>SB 888</b>		DATE: <b>3/10/2026</b>	
COMMITTEE: <b>Corrections and Public Institutions</b>			
<b>TESTIFYING:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> IN SUPPORT OF <input type="checkbox"/> IN OPPOSITION TO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES			
<b>WITNESS NAME</b>			
<b>BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION:</b>			
WITNESS NAME: <b>PHILLIP WARREN</b>		PHONE NUMBER: <b>573-475-0911</b>	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME: <b>33RD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT</b>		TITLE: <b>CHIEF JUVENILE OFFICER</b>	
ADDRESS: <b>805 N MAIN</b>			
CITY: <b>SIKESTON</b>		STATE: <b>MO</b>	ZIP: <b>63801</b>
EMAIL:	ATTENDANCE:	SUBMIT DATE: <b>3/10/2026 12:00 AM</b>	
<b>THE INFORMATION ON THIS FORM IS PUBLIC RECORD UNDER CHAPTER 610, RSMo.</b>			