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Greetings,

My name is Milton L. Jones #241206 and I currently reside at Carl Robinson Corrections. Today I write my testimony the impact and concerns about the Correctional System. I will inform my oversight of the living conditions and accountability of Doc policy and decisions in 2025.

I'm a 51 of age I've been in and out of the Dept. of Corrections since 1995. I'm not proud about my consistent return for drug related offenses.

I started this new sentence 4-25-25 at Hartford Corrections Dorm 2. The living conditions were very poor with poor air quality, rodent infested the worst I have ever seen from the cell blocks to the dorm area. The kitchen had to be shut down due to infestation. We locked down very often due to lack of staff. This has been said by the warden, deputy warden and supervising staff.

I stayed there shortly and I went to assessment at McDougall/Walker Corrections. My stay there was short but the lock down situation without receiving visits or recreations was the same as Hartford Corrections.

I later was transferred to Carl Robinson Corrections where I reside now.

I must say the living conditions are very poor here as well to be an Level 2 inmate receiving this treatment with poor living conditions. The bathroom has terrible plumbing problems only six toilets are working the two urinals have been out of order for almost four weeks. They wreak with your urine almost impossible to clean. The roof practically falling down where I sleep. When it rains or snow the water is constantly dripping. Me and other inmate's complain about these conditions and as of yet nothing has been attended to.

At least 90% of the Correctional officers don't obey by the Connecticut's General Statute, or the Administrative directive by entering the facility with electronic device's such as cellphone's, iPhone watches or Meta eyewear. This is a violation of A.D. 2.17 34-A, which is punishable up to 1 year imprisonment. This is not enforced by DOC and this violate's inmate's safety and security and needs to be evaluated and corrected.

Another thing with the Department of correction lack of is staff for programs that inmate's are waiting for. Inmate's have an OAP for programs that are requested for them to work on while incarcerated to show some rehabilitated behavior before seeing if one can be afforded an honest chance to return to the community to get life back in order.

There are not enough vocational trade's available to implement a new skill for an individual to go back into society to live a productive life.

There is one change the Department of Corrections had to offer me, which is the CDL program which should start in February. I'm enthused to be apart of this program here at Carl Robinson. This is an career opportunity for myself and others. I believe a program like this will keep the recidivism rate down if it is more programs implemented like this one.

I hope my testimony will enlighten you on how inmates are being treated behind closed walls. I hope that some change's are made and I hope that some afforded an honest chance to return to society and be productive in the community. Thank you for time for hearing me out hope all is able to read my handwriting.

Good day -

Sincerely,

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