

God first and foremost I thank you for the opportunity to come before the legislative committee today on may 6, 2020. This bill that is coming to you today HB5679 must be stopped and rewritten or dismissed from going forward. I have tried to move on since my 750.520E despite all of the challenges, but have not forgotten of what still haunts my family daily. This bill is so inadequate and needs to be changed for the better. I DO NOT WANT MY KIDS TO SUFFER FOR MY MISTAKES. Those are mine and not theirs and I accept that. I have come leaps and bounds and just want to be able to be there for my kids. Like go to their school plays, pick them up and take them to school and be there for all their events and life's challenges. The things that some dad's or deadbeat dads take fore granted that they do not take advantage of the smallest things that can also make the biggest impact in a kids life. I DO NOT WANT MY KIDS AND FAMILY TO SUFFER FOR MY MISTAKES FROM THE PAST. I get reminded daily and get constant reminders through work, harassment, applying for a job and getting turned down regardless of how long ago it was that it happened. I was never given the opportunity for HYTA which I should have been offered but instead made an example of in the courtroom for my first time ever being in trouble. I have followed the law every day and have put on several registries. Each state saying something different depending on their classification of law which also makes my chances worse for getting off the registry. Because then it looks like you have several charges in multiple states weather I still live there or not. Even though I follow the law daily and abide by what I am supposed to do. Just one of several examples that haunts me and my family daily.

People not wanting to talk to me or my family or my kids thinking they did something wrong or daddy why doesn't anyone want to talk or play with us. So we only have a select amount of friends but are strongly supported by our church community that is aware of the conditions and circumstances that are also followed by the law that I adhere to daily. I thought requirements that church and state are supposed to be separate but are not.

Some other points of me and my wife trying to set up daily things to pick our kids up from events which is hard to do with the registry. This also makes it harder on her and my kids who have done nothing wrong. I accept 100% responsibility for what I did was wrong and have been rehabilitated for over 20 years and only have so many to go but that also depends on what state you go to and how that can change. Other points of people where they have spit in my face in front of my kids causing fear, verbal threats, scams because my information is posted and other forms of harassment. I have gone to counseling and completed everything I was supposed to do but still suffer 20 years later over and over. Being able to be there for my kids and my wife is all I want so they do not have to suffer for my past actions and stop making it harder on them as well. But yet things keep getting added without thinking about how it affects everyone and not just one person who did wrong but others who did nothing and are getting the wrath for it as well.

Trying to put this all in the past is hard, but I will remember everyday what has happened in the past and future but then so do my kids and wife which isn't fair. So more important than anything is letting them be free from my wrong doings. They didn't get charged for anything but are being charged at the same time by these wrongful laws for something they never did. I want to be there for my kids, again take them to sports game, pick up and take to school, plays, activities, and be the proud dad they know me to be. Instead of having them wonder why is everyone being mean to us daddy. Them being confused and thinking I can't be there or not allowed but to young to tell them why. I am the parent that is wanting to be there for them and participate in their lives but the laws are making it that way where I can't which is not fair to them.

I want to be there for them in person and not missing the moments that I can never get back that I have already missed or cause them damage from me not being able to be there and causing my wife stress and being put in harms way. My family is most important and seeing it effect my kids and my wife breaks my heart daily more than you could ever imagine. I am more than willing and have served my time. I DO NOT and I repeat I DO NOT want our kids to suffer for my mistakes when I was younger. I f you don't want to do it for me then please do it for them because they have done nothing wrong. This puts so much stress on my family the HB5679 would make it even worse. Think about it if roles were reversed and you made a bad decision when you were younger would you want your kids to suffer for your mistakes. I thank you for your time and appreciate your consideration. God bless and thank you

Sincerely,

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