

Mr. Petty,

I wanted to pass along my support for H.488 to eliminate the supervisory fee for individuals under supervision and encourage the committee to take it up. This fee, albeit small, is a huge hinderance to many. There are already required fees for things like Risk Reduction Programming which are \$20 a week on top of materials, \$50 for polygraphs, money for a phone as required by the DOC, etc. When people are first released that have limited funds and those funds go to rent, food, phone and required programming and they can't pay the supervision fee. Because they can't pay it, what often ends up happening is that these fees build up and their state tax returns are garnished for it. Having a balance for supervisory fees can also prevent travel, attending functions with your children, anything that would require preapproved permission from your supervising officer. This is a good bill for the right reasons.

regards,

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