ADVANCING JUSTICE IN LOUISIANA: 2020 LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

1. HB 454: Protect voting rights for people sentenced to probation.
2. HB 380: Require disclosure of collateral consequences in a guilty plea before the deal is made.
3. HB 541: Grant parole eligibility for people serving life sentences.
4. HB 339: Reduce wait for parole eligibility, and ‘Good Time’ credits on second offenses.
5. HB 643: Cap parole at five years for all convictions moving forward.
6. HB 535: Align consequence to culpability for those deemed accomplices. The less one was involved in a crime, the less their punishment.
7. HB 625: End prison gerrymandering, which uses incarcerated people to bulk up the political power of prison districts.
8. HB 424: Prohibit doctors with restricted licenses from practicing in prisons if the suspension is relevant to their job.
9. HB 364: Stop creating excessive, mandatory sentences based on old and less serious offenses.
10. Mandate fair chance in hiring by giving people with and without felony convictions the same opportunity for securing a job.
11. HB 344: Ban the use of solitary confinement for mothers and those with serious mental health conditions.
12. HB 149: Reduce waiting times for pardon applications after a denial.
13. HB 241: Remove limit on number of expungements one can receive at once.
14. HB 570: Increase compensation to wrongfully convicted people.
15. HB 556 and SB 326: Eliminate court fines and fees for people who can’t pay.

The 2020 Louisiana Legislative Session starts on March 9, and we need all hands on deck to pass (or stop) laws on mass incarceration. Please tell your friends and family to join us at the State Capitol. Let’s let our elected officials know whose house it is, and who they’re representing. More at: www.vote-nola.org

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