

Dear House Judiciary members:

I am writing to encourage you to support H.492, which proposes a twelve member board under the office of the Attorney General to address institutionalized racism in the criminal justice system. In light of the challenges that we all know that we face in Vermont with racial disparities in the criminal justice system, we must make a commitment to do the right thing.

This Board will provide oversight, introduce policy and training to address use of force and expand to address all components of the Criminal Justice System.

I regret I will not be able to testify in person tomorrow but wanted to make sure that you were all aware of my support for H.492.

Thank you,
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