



MISSOURI HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
**WITNESS APPEARANCE FORM**

BILL NUMBER: <b>HB 745</b>		DATE: <b>2/23/2021</b>	
COMMITTEE: <b>Corrections and Public Institutions</b>			
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<b>WITNESS NAME</b>			
<b>REGISTERED LOBBYIST:</b>			
WITNESS NAME: <b>ADAM ALBACH</b>		PHONE NUMBER: <b>573-526-6499</b>	
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CITY: <b>JEFFERSON CITY</b>		STATE: <b>MO</b>	ZIP: <b>65109</b>
EMAIL:	ATTENDANCE:	SUBMIT DATE: <b>2/23/2021 12:00 AM</b>	
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The Justice Action Network, the nation’s largest bipartisan criminal justice reform organization, is strongly in support of House Bill 745. This bill will reduce the cost of Missouri’s criminal justice system and protect public safety Missouri had over 38,000 individuals on probation in FY2020 – this was 1.5 times the number of individuals in state prisons. And with an average probation term of 4.6 years, this is a significant drain on state resources: in FY2020, the DOC’s Board of Probation and Parole cost Missouri taxpayers over \$91 million. Research has shown that individuals pose the highest risk of recidivism immediately after release. After 18 months, individuals who have not reoffended and are compliant with their terms of supervision pose a greatly reduced risk to their communities. This research is mirrored in Missouri data with recent DOC annual reports show a lessening rate of recidivism after 18-24 months. This bill follows this evidence by allowing for discharge after individuals have passed this critical point in time. And roughly a third of prison admissions in Missouri are for technical violations – individuals on supervision who have not committed a new offense, but have missed a check-in with a probation officer, staying out past curfew, or other minor misbehavior. The longer individuals stay on supervision, the more chances to have a technical violation – an action that, except for being on supervision, would not result in any consequence. This drives individuals back into prison and is a large cost to taxpayers – without any public safety benefit. Importantly, this bill does not mandate discharge – rather it allows discretion for release by professional probation officers with input from prosecuting attorneys. This ensures that individuals who may still pose a threat to public safety remain on probation. And this bill also protects victims – requiring that probationers who owe restitution pay off the full amount before being eligible for discharge from probation. This bill will reduce the number of individuals on probation in Missouri, saving the state significant money. And it will continue to protect the public’s safety through input from prosecutors and all restitution paid to any victims. The Justice Action Network urges the Committee to vote yes on HB745.



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I am, Opposed to this Bill. I do not agree with the intent and rules as written.



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