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Chairman Jesse Arreguin Vice Chairman Kelly Seyarto Senate Committee on Public Safety 1020 N Street, Room 545 Sacramento, CA 95814

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Re: Senate Bill 286 - OPPOSE

Dear Chairman Arreguin and Vice Chairman Seyarto:

The purpose of this letter is to notify you and members of the Senate Public Safety Committee that the Alliance for Constitutional Sex Offense Laws (ACSOL) opposes Senate Bill 286. We therefore request that you and members of the Senate Public Safety Committee vote "no" on that bill. Senate Bill 286 has been referred to the Senate Public Safety Committee and is scheduled for consideration during a committee hearing on April 8.

If enacted into law, SB 286 would eliminate the discretion of the Board of Parole Hearings (BPH) to release individuals convicted of several sex offenses. Although this discretion is rarely exercised, it is important that the Board of Parole Hearings retain this discretion in circumstances when the individual has in fact been rehabilitated while in person and deemed safe for reentry. If the Board of Parole Hearings lacks this discretion, it could result in fewer individuals pursuing and/or achieving rehabilitation while in custody.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of this request. We strongly request that all members of the Senate Public Safety Committee vote "no" on SB 286.

Sincerely,

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