FLOOR ALERT

VOTE <u>YES</u> *ON THE FOLLOWING BILLS:*

AB 90 (Weber-D) : CalGang Database

According to the State Auditor, like other outdated tracking systems utilized by law enforcement, the CalGang database is full of erroneous details and records of individuals who should NEVER have been included on the list. The database also contains outdated or obsolete records on individuals that should have been removed many years ago. Besides being ineffective for public safety purposes, the CalGang database has a disparate impact on minorities and has become a liability to civil rights and personal privacy. AB 90 supplies an effective solution to these problems by transferring the administration of the database to DOJ and setting up an advisory committee of all stakeholders, including a public defender, a parent of a juvenile targeted as a gang member, and an expert on civil liberties. Additionally, California citizens will be removed after two years if no new evidence is brought to light.
<u>Vote YES to protect minorities and restore personal privacy.</u>

AB 1068 (Gonzalez-Fletcher-D) : Felon Work Program

According CDCR's 2015 report, over 44% of felons in California return to prison within three years. And according to a study partially funded by the Bureau of Justice Statistics, lack of quality job opportunities for felons correlate with higher rates of recidivism and "that policies and/or programs that create more *good* job opportunities for release offenders can reduce incarceration rates."[i] AB 1068 sets up a pilot program aimed at doing just that by requiring the Prison Industry Authority to select a private-sector employer that employs ex-felons to provide goods to CDCR and other state agencies.
<u>Vote YES to help reduce recidivism rates in California.</u>

AB 46 (Cooper-D) : Public Sector Wage Discrimination

Essentially makes the California Equal Pay Act applicable to public sector employers with the exception that public sector employers are immune from criminal prosecution.
<u>Vote YES to support equal pay in California's public sector.</u>

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[i] Schnepel, Kevin T. "Good jobs and recidivism." *The Economic Journal* (2016).