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Hello House Committee on Judiciary.

My name is Saturne Bodoff and I am a resident of East Greenwich, Rhode island. I have lived in RI my whole life, so what goes on in my home state means a lot to me, which is why I am writing this email to urge you to support/pass H-5724.

The act of treating immigrants, legal or otherwise, as criminals, or in other inhumane ways is appalling. A lot of people who immigrate, especially illegally, are coming here to the USA because they need help. We claim to be a developed nation, yet we cannot fathom the idea of someone seeking help in a country other than the one they were born in. treating anyone without humanity is simply disgusting, especially when that person may be seeking to move here due to things out of their control. Putting people's lives on the line for a profit is frankly barbaric and it shouldn't be allowed. The whole concept of for profit jailings is questionable at the very least, but in this case it isn't doing what it's supposed to do, as the company in charge of Wyatt has not given the money to Central Falls since 2008. While I, fortunately, don't have to worry about me or my family being deported or detained, I have enough empathy to understand that these people are human too, and deserve to be treated with respect and at the very least deserve to be treated like human beings and not wild animals. Many immigrants being held in Wyatt Detention Center reported being neglected medically, lack of due process, racist and anti-immigrant hate speech by staff at Wyatt, and more. These are not conditions anyone should have to live in, whether you deem them a criminal or not.

Thank you for your consideration and time taken to read this.

Sincerely,

Saturne Bodoff