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RE: H2323 An Act to provide certain employees in the department of corrections with

line of duty death benefits

**DT:** 27 October 2015

Dear Honorable Chair and Members of the Joint Committee on Public Service,

Thank you for considering *H2323, An Act to provide certain employees in the department of corrections with line of duty death benefits* before your committee on October 27<sup>th</sup>.

This bill would extend killed in the line of duty benefits to Unit 8 employees within the Executive Office of Public Safety and Homeland Security. Unit 8 employees are professionals classified as Social and Rehabilitative; this includes positions such as Chaplains, Correctional Program Officers, and Employment Services Coordinators<sup>1</sup>.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this bill. I respectfully request that *H2323*, *An Act to provide certain employees in the department of corrections with line of duty death benefits* be released favorably and expeditiously from your committee.

Sincerely,

Paul Heroux

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