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Joint Committee on Judiciary
Legislative Office Building room 2500
Hartford, CT 06106

Dear Members of the Joint Committee on Judiciary,

I am writing to formally report unsafe and disturbing conditions at York Correctional Institution.

Bathroom floors are frequently wet and unsanitary due to toilet overflow. As a result, I slipped, fell, and broke my wrist, requiring surgery. This injury was preventable with proper maintenance.

Living conditions for inmates are also unacceptable. No pillow is provided, the mattress is severely worn, and access to basic commissary supplies is extremely limited.

In addition, an inmate with an approved pass for class sign-ups was denied access by a correctional officer who stated "signups were cancelled" but later found out they were not cancelled and her opportunity to sign up was lost! A complaint was filed but denied on procedural grounds, with no resolution offered.

While some correctional officers demonstrate professionalism and respect, many others are unnecessarily rude, bossy, and dismissive, contributing to an environment where legitimate concerns are disregarded.

I respectfully request that the joint committee on the judiciary investigate these matters and take appropriate corrective action to ensure safe conditions, humane, treatment, and accountability at YORK Correctional Institution

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Bev Rainville". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

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