

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
ILLINOIS RESENTENCING TASK FORCE
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29
9:00 A.M. TO 11:00 A.M.
VIA ZOOM:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81439392012?pwd=QmVHY0Zhc3FqWDUxSm5xNzFTWCtGUT09>

**The hearing will be recorded and posted on the SPAC website.
Written comments will also be posted to the SPAC website.**

The Illinois Resentencing Task Force is seeking public comment on using resentencing motions to reduce the prison population in Illinois. Currently, people who have been sentenced to very long prison terms have little chance to earn early release through sentence credits. Resentencing motions are a new way to go back to court and argue for a lesser sentence based on rehabilitation, or in the interests of justice.

The Task Force cannot review, comment on, or advocate for, individual cases. Testimony should focus on support or opposition to the idea of resentencing; your views on what the process should look like; and how the interests of victims, communities disproportionately impacted by mass incarceration, and incarcerated individuals and their families should be balanced.

The Task Force will consider the viewpoints presented at this hearing in developing the recommendations submitted in its report to the General Assembly and the Governor's Office at the end of the year.

Procedure for Providing Public Comment

Written comments may be submitted on or before September 26, 2022, via email or regular mail. All written comments should include your name, email address and whether you are a proponent or opponent of resentencing motions. Comments must be received by 5:00 pm central time on September 26, 2022, to be included in the record of the September 29 public hearing.

E-Mail: SPAC.RTF@illinois.gov
Electronic submissions should be in a valid PDF file.

Regular Mail: SPAC
400 W. Monroe, Ste. 206
Springfield, IL 62704

Oral testimony: A request to speak must contain the person's name, email address, name of the organization, if any, that the person represents, and position on allowing resentencing motions.
Oral testimony will be limited to three minutes plus time to answer questions from Task Force members.

Requests to present oral testimony must be submitted by email to SPAC.RTF@illinois.gov by 5:00 pm central time on September 26, 2022. The Task Force may further limit the length of oral testimony or request written testimony if there is insufficient time to accommodate all who wish to give oral testimony.

Additional Information

Additional information regarding the Task Force's members and its work may be found at:
<https://spac.illinois.gov/tags/resentencing-task-force>.