I have a relative incarcerated in-state, I urge you to pass this legislation and reject arguments to maintain the present rate structure. Calls help loved ones maintain relationships; without calls - many people cannot write-these relationships are more likely to fray and deteriorate. Strong relationships insure that, when released, people still have family and friends to support them. This support is critical in keeping people from returning to prison. Charging exorbitant phone rates undermines the communication that helps maintain relationships, thereby, promoting recidivism and insuring a steady supply of inmates for the financial benefit of the prison industry.