## VETERANS IN THE JUSTICE SYSTEM 1srQUARTER REPORT JAN-MAR 2021

As of this report most of the Incarcerated Chapters are still in lock down mode as far as having outside visitors. Buckeye State Council is currently trying to find a cosponsor for legislation that failed in 2020 because it died in committee. It wasn't a priority issue during Covid. The legislation mainly upgrades the parole process for Incarcerated inmates with what information they can present, who can testify, and review processes.

The VIJS committee is still pursuing the possibility of the VA withholding a portion of the VA compensation funds in escrow until the veteran is released. Then they would have funds to acquire lodging and whatever is needed.

Hopefully this will be the last short report. I've heard that some institutions are easing some of their restrictions and I can visit and resume meetings.

Respectfully submitted,

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