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Members of the parole board my name is Jerome Myre and I am a victim of child abuse at the hands of Bernard Cloutier, for the short time that Bernard has been institutionalized I have been kept current with his daily activities and programs that he's been attending and I must admit I am surprised and confused at one program in particular that he attended and that was the sex offenders program from November 08/2011 to November 17/2011. So my knowledge all participation in these programs is voluntary, so the question I have been asking myself is why would someone who denies sexually abusing little boys take such a program unfortunately Bernard is the only one who knows the answer to that question. I would however like to point out that when interviewed by my lawyer here in the institution Bernard did admit to serving us alcohol so perhaps he should have considered taking a smart serve instead.

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As a victim of child abuse I have had to deal with many negative emotions such as anxiety, depression and anger as a result I currently take medication and see a counsellor on a regular basis in order to try and cope. It is extremely hard to heal when all you seem to see and hear on the news these days is ongoing incidents of child sexual abuse and pornography. If we reduce sentences and give early releases we're showing offenders like Bernard Cloutier that what they are doing is being tolerated and that is simply unacceptable. I know we're not here to change any laws or debate them but we are here to consider the early release of a man who impacted my life in a very negative way. I have spent 43 years in Bernard's prison with no hope of ever being released so for him to serve his full 5 year sentence is a small price to pay for the lives he has ruined.

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My memories of the abuse are clear, explicit and recurring but I hope that they will serve as a reminder that we need to protect our children and leave offenders like Bernard Cloutier serve full term sentences and show people that this kind of behaviour will not be tolerated!

The children are the future so let's not leave abuse alter their life course and leave any questions or doubts as to who or what they will become.