Q1 Please share any comments, suggestions or concerns you may have about these agencies, including any observations about the way the agency shares information online. Please note your responses will be posted online and may be included in a Committee report.

Corrections, Department of... As the mother of an incarcerated son I am very concerned with several things. There is rampant violence between inmates and it seems there is never enough staff to even take care of daily mundane things let alone the safety of these men and women who are locked down for more hours than not. The food leaves a lot to be desired.... it is understandable that these inmates aren't at a resort and noone expects steak and lobster but food that is actually edible would be great! Healthcare is also a huge problem, waiting days, weeks or even months to be seen.... especially for dental issues. I not only worry about these things for my own son but for every man and woman that is incarcerated. Yes they are there because they presumably committed a crime/crimes but that doesn't change the fact that these people are human beings! They are locked up and at the mercy of SCDC and have no other alternative.... please just make sure that these folks within the Department of Corrections do the jobs that they are paid to do. Thank you for your time.

Page 3: There are three questions seeking general information.

Q2 What is your age? 55-64 years old

Q3 Which best describes your current role? South Carolina resident and do not fall into any of the categories below

Q4 In which county do you live? Spartanburg
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I was released from SCDC in May 2018. I consider myself one of the lucky ones. The people who are in charge have no regard for human life. I can only speak from experience. I suffered more trauma behind those walls than I ever did on the streets. People say that prison time is a punishment. This is true. The time in prison is the punishment. Inmates should not be subjected to abuse from the hands of the staff. Medical care is almost non existent. I'm not saying that all the staff is bad. I realize they are short staffed. But a person being locked down 23 hours a day, with limited access to showers and adequate nutrition, that's not punishment. That is torture. You cannot break a person mentally and physically and expect them to thrive. Recidivism is such a problem because inmates are not given the tools to be successful. Something needs to happen sooner than later!

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**Page 3: There are three questions seeking general information.**

**Q2** What is your age?  
**Answer:** 25-34 years old

**Q3** Which best describes your current role?  
**Answer:** South Carolina resident and do not fall into any of the categories below

**Q4** In which county do you live?  
**Answer:** Spartanburg
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I am so very tired of how scdc says all the problems stem from cell phones but we all know where the cell phones are coming in with. Yes the CO's bring them. Y'all already know that though but refuse to believe it. Pathetic that inmates hav to practically beg in certain cases to be seen by medical for serious issues. And the food not fit for human consumption?? Are you guys serious?? This is not right and I'm begging for change to occur. These inmates are still human being. When you treat these inmates like animals then you're going to see unreasonable behavior from them. This has got to stop. Also the CO's are bringing in K2, Spice and that also needs to be dealt with. K2 can kill a person very quickly depending on exactly what it's laced with. Please stop C0's from bringing all this contraband in to these institutions. Bryan Stirling is aware he just would rather turn a blind eye than to help fix the problem. Too many deaths for no reason and this has got to stop. Nobody cares but these are human beings that deserve more. They are not animals unless you treat them like animals.

Page 3: There are three questions seeking general information.

Q2 What is your age? 45-54 years old

Q3 Which best describes your current role? South Carolina resident and do not fall into any of the categories below

Q4 In which county do you live? Greenville