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I am writing to express my deep concern regarding the unbearable conditions inside prisons in Nevada, particularly in relation to the ineffective cooling systems in place. As you may be aware, during this scorching heatwave with temperatures exceeding 120°F, inmates are suffering greatly due to the inadequate cooling mechanisms such as swamp coolers that are failing to provide relief from the extreme heat.

The current situation is not only uncomfortable but also poses serious health risks to the inmates. High temperatures can lead to heat-related illnesses, dehydration, and exacerbation of pre-existing health conditions. It is imperative that immediate action be taken to address this critical issue and ensure the well-being of those in state custody.

I urge you and your fellow legislators to prioritize the safety and welfare of all individuals in Nevada prisons by allocating resources to install more effective cooling systems or explore alternative solutions to mitigate the oppressive heat inside the facilities. Every individual, regardless of their circumstances, deserves to be treated with dignity and provided with a humane living environment.

I implore you to take swift and decisive action to address this pressing matter. The lives and well-being of the inmates are at stake, and it is our moral duty to ensure that they are not subjected to inhumane conditions. Please do not turn a blind eye to this issue and work towards finding a prompt resolution.

Thank you for your attention to this urgent matter. I look forward to hearing back from you regarding the steps that will be taken to improve the cooling conditions in Nevada prisons.

Kindly,
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