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Senator Peyton McKnight Room 325, Capitol Building Austin, Texas 78711

Dear Peyton:

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I see in the paper this morning that the House of Representatives approved 56 - 46 the Bill of Emmett Whitehead of Rusk ordering the Texas Youth Council to build a halfway house for delinquent children next door to the home of U.S. District Judge Wayne Justice. I suppose you know that the only vacant lot next to Judge Justice's home is between him and Ralph Spence. I don't know who owns the lot and it would be my guess that neither does Whitehead.

To put it mildly, I am amazed that such action was taken...this is nothing but "vindictive legislation."

If the House has the little judgment to pass this bill on the third reading and it comes to the Senate, I am sure you will have the good judgment to see that it does not pass the Senate.

Sincerely,

Murph Wilson

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cc- Honorable Wayne Justice
U. S. District Judge
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