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## Criminal Justice Issues and Prisoners' Rights

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## Policy Issue Resources

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A laundry list of minor traffic violations can lead to tickets and even jail time. In the worst cases, police stops for trivial infractions turn deadly. But stops for those offense-tinted windows, a missing inspection sticker, an air freshener dangling from the rearview mirror don't make us safer. They do, however, drive racial disparities: study ...

Art and Writing from Inside Prison Walls during COVID-19

Imagine if some of the money spent on policing was instead invested in New Orleans youth, their families, and their neighborhoods. Youth are supposed to be our future, so ensuring their healthy development into thriving, educated, and engaged New Orleanians should be our priority. A native New Orleanian, I went to Benjamin Franklin High School, where ...

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