The Nevada Prison System Profits Off Our Pain And Misery.

The title of this essay sounds kind of interesting doesn't it? The title may be foreign to some. But, to others, we wallow in this misery every day.

The definition of profit ... is the net return received on a business undertaking.

For Nevada's business undertaking is extortion, where ever there's pain and misery to go around.

Extortion has become so common around here. For a simple fistfight, a prisoner can wind up paying anywhere from between $250.00 to $500.00.

I had a cellmate about a year ago, who told me he broke another man's jaw. For his altercation with another prisoner. He was fined in excess of $13,000. (I've seen the verification for the curious minds.)

I ain't never heard of a fractured jaw, costing that much in the free world. The position us prisoners are in - it's like we are dealt a bad hand, and have to live with it.

After my cellmate revealed his dilemma to me. I realized, he was now a victim of the infamous extortion plot, that's been netting millions inside the system's coffers.

My cellmate was so distraught over his high fines. What little money, he did get from his family members. He knew the state will now take over half of his money.

On top of that. The state has a welfare fund, which covers medical, hygiene and food cost.

It's clear as the blue sky. We get inadequate care, when it comes to medical, hygiene, and food around here. The reason is because
boys at the top are lining their pockets with big faces. (One hundred dollar bills.)

For speaking out against a slight or a wrong. We are usually tarred and feathered. Then led off to the holes to be social outcasts and misfits. ACLU and NAACP don't give a f@*k about us. They'll make it seem as if they care. But, in reality. They know vadans—in the free world don't care. So why should they care. it's their motto.

I had a close friend, who lost his tv because a tiny scratch on his tv.

By him grieving everyone through the grievance process. He still doesn't receive his 13-inch color tv, which he paid $305.00 for, back.

The cold dilemma of his situation didn't stop their. About a year later, when he was befriended by someone he knew from his time inside the prison system.

This new friend got to bragging how he had won a small amount in his case, where the state had broken his tv.

Instead of buying (the prisoner who won the lawsuit) a new tv for their careless mistakes. The state took my friend's tv after it was confiscated, and gave it to his new friend who had won a lawsuit against the state.

How my friend was able to know the tv was his? Was by the inscription... and by the prisoner revealing the back number, which I had been scratched off by a Property Sergeant.

As my friend's dilemma was unfolded. He realized, he could be sent and forever hold his peace, or he could talk and be branded
What I've learned from my friend's incident. There's been numerous
times, where prisoners have gotten their property confiscated. Then later,
the property was later re-issued, so the state could cover a lawsuit
against them.

Our latest tragedy hot off the presses is... they have just started
a new downloading program for music CDs.

We are allowed 12 CDs in our possession. For each CD we order,
The CD isn't supposed to go over 4,280 seconds.

Now here's the catch. We are allowed to select 10 songs with 5
alternates. (Just in case one of the 10 songs isn't available.)
By choosing 10 songs, the seconds usually come anywhere from
2500 to 3000 seconds.

We are basically getting screwed out of 1,280 seconds of music.

On top of that. Our price for 10 songs off the internet is
$27.00 dollars. Where as on the streets, people only pay a $1.00 dollar
for a song. (That's $10.00 dollars for a CD.)

In this prison I'm in, There's a $17.00 dollar gain off our
pain and misery. And that's not all. The biggest gain of them all is
The 13-inch flat screen color television, which sell for $350.00 dollars
With the mark-up of what they cost on the streets. ($99.00 dollars.)

But, say this prison buys in bulk. I guess it's safe to say - the flat screen
will cost the prison system at least $49.99. We are literally getting
robbed, and someone is profiting off our misery.

Welcome to Nevada's Prison System. You are now witnessing
how the system profits off our pain and misery.