

April 10, 2013  
Human Services Subcommittee  
Re: HB 2117A

Committee Chair Person and Members of the Committee -

My name is Sally Penna, I am an ADES in Polk County. Thank you for the opportunity to speak in support of HB 2117. There are two primary reasons why I support this bill:

**1. HB 2117 PROVIDES CLARIFICATION  
OF THE IID ROLE FOR THE ADES**

ADESS (alcohol and drug evaluation screening specialists) have served throughout Oregon since 1981. We are designated by local Courts and certified by OHA (Addictions and Mental Health).

As ADESS, we provide the following services for offenders referred to us from Court:

- a. We meet with the offender to complete an initial evaluation/assessment and to determine the appropriateness of the client for treatment.
- b. We act in collaboration with the offender to determine where their education or treatment program is to be done and make a written referral to the agency.
- c. We notify the Court of the referral and advise the Court of the name of the program to which the offender has been referred.
- d. We monitor the offender's progress throughout their program, keeping the Court advised of the any failure to complete a program obligation as well as any completion of the offender's treatment obligation.
- e. We also transfer individuals who for a variety of reasons need to change programs.
- f. We do re-referrals back to treatment for those individuals who have been referred back to us from the Court following a non-compliance hearing.
- g. We maintain our files for seven years.
- h. We are also required to maintain office facilities which are consistent with AMH administrative rules.

After last legislative session, many ADESs, such as myself, were appointed by our Courts under ORS 813.602, to be the recipients of IID reports from the IID installers. While we appreciated the honor, that designation came with two major problems - we were given no legal authority or mandate to do anything with the reports once we received them. Additionally, we were to be paid nothing to do the job.

HB 2117 clarifies the ADES role and in doing so, adds accountability to the DUII and IID processes. DUII diversion offenders will be held responsible for IID violations by the ADES sharing negative IID installer reports with treatment agencies, Courts, City Attorneys and/or DAs.

**2. HB 2117 INCREASES THE ADES DUII FEE,  
WHICH HAS NOT BEEN RAISED SINCE 2004.**

Our office overhead costs are substantial. Most ADESs are in the private sector, and we combine our ADES work with other types of human services. But it reached a point long ago where ADES throughout the state have been subsidizing the DUII offender in one way or another. Rent, utilities, salaries, taxes, equipment, postage, supplies, insurance, maintenance, telephone, internet costs are only some of our many expenses. ADESs receive no public funding, no PERS, no medical insurance.

The fee increase set forth in the bill will allow ADESs to continue doing our jobs and integrate into that job, the role of acting on negative IID device reports for DUII diversion offenders.

I urge you to support HB 2117. IIDs save lives. Holding DUII offenders accountable for violations evidenced by the IID reports will save even more.

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