

From the desk of Representative Tawna Sanchez



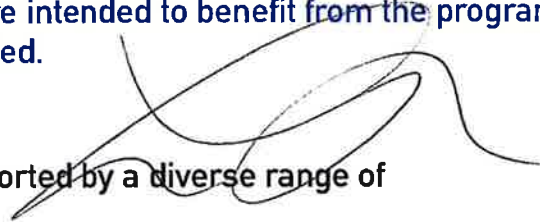
Strong Families Safe Communities

ON THE BRINK OF ANOTHER WOMEN'S PRISON

Family Sentencing Alternative (HB 3380)

Passed with broad bipartisan support in 2015, the Family Sentencing Alternative has launched in five counties in Oregon. Based off of a successful Washington State program that reduces recidivism and creates better outcomes for kids, the initiative was designed to provide parents intensive supervision and services instead of prison so that they can achieve accountability while strengthening bonds with their children and increasing family stability.

While FSA has met some of its intended goals, gaps in the law unintentionally exclude parents who would otherwise be eligible for the program. HB 3380 updates the program to include pregnant women and other women who were intended to benefit from the program that will ensure the reach that the original bill intended.



The Family Sentencing Alternative Program is supported by a diverse range of community-based and advocacy organizations.



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