

To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Nicki Ulrich, and I am an elementary teacher here in Oregon. I urge you to support HB2797 which requires a sentence of 58 to 130 months' imprisonment if a person is convicted of unlawful delivery or manufacture of a controlled substance that results in the death of another person from use of controlled substance.

When I was a child, my brother (who was 10 years my senior) was heavily involved in drug and alcohol use and abuse. I witnessed, at far too young of an age, the perils of drug use and abuse along with its fatalities. My brother eventually died from his years of abuse, and I urge you to support this bill to keep these criminals off of the streets who are only looking out for themselves.

If a motorist accidentally kills pedestrian while driving, and s/he was doing *anything* wrong—speeding, texting, changing the station on the radio, then said person will likely be arrested and charged with vehicular manslaughter or negligent homicide, or some similar crime to the jurisdiction. Because of the driver's negligence, s/he caused the death of the person involved.

Doesn't it seem fit and reasonable then, when we *know* someone has done an illegal act like selling drugs, that leads to the death of another human being, that the seller should be just as liable for negligent homicide?

I urge you, once again, to vote in support of HB2797.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Nicki Ulrich