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RE: House Bill 3064

Chair Williamson and members of the committee:

My name is Carla Piluso and I proudly represent House District 50, the great city of Gresham.

In my years in law enforcement, I saw how important it was to use our state public safety dollars wisely. Now, as the co-chair of the Ways & Means Public Safety Sub, I'm contending with that challenge directly—how to best spend state resources to achieve safety, justice, and equity for all Oregonians.

Justice Reinvestment is an essential piece of this puzzle. Since 2013, reinvestment grants have successfully reduced our reliance on prisons, redirecting resources to investments that will make Oregon communities safer.

House Bill 3064 re-commits us to that goal and ensures that we get the details right. This bill holds us accountable to Oregonians and makes strides towards better serving underserved communities in Oregon. It also funds a data researcher, so that we have the information we need to evaluate what works.

I look forward to working with my very esteemed co-chair Senator Winters and the Criminal Justice Commission to make sure we get this right. Thank you for your time and attention, and I ask for your support for HB 3064.

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