

Dear Chair Prozanski and Members of the Senate Judiciary Committee on Ballot Measure 110 Implementation,

Since moving to Oregon, I have watched a number of friends struggle with addiction and recovery, several of whom have related to me at length the difficulties they've faced getting the help they need in our communities. These individuals have tried repeatedly to get and stay sober, but have faced challenges maintaining their housing, risking criminal charges, and having their supplies of medication cut off due to lack of funding. Not only are they fighting their addictions, they are fighting the community stigma and resulting deprioritization of their medical care. In November, Oregonians overwhelmingly voted to change that paradigm and help our friends and neighbors who are struggling with this serious and all-too-common condition. Fully funding SB755 is crucial to continuing that momentum, since without the funding to expand our treatment and recovery programs, we will not be able to move beyond our current inadequate standard of care. Please don't let down the vast majority of Oregonians who expressed their desire to see this measure come to fruition. Fully fund SB755.

Sincerely,
Sabina Noll