

Hello,

I am writing to plead for you to overturn measure 110. My 27 year old son passed away July 15th of this year due to a fentanyl overdose. I am not alone as a parent who has lost a child this way in Oregon. My son was not a criminal. He had never gotten arrested for any crimes and was a beautiful person but pain led him to addiction and I can't help but wonder if my son could have been put in jail if even temporarily or forced treatment for drug possession, that he'd be here today. This drug is so powerful that even the strongest person is powerless to get help while using fentanyl. We need stronger laws and prosecute for possession and I truly also believe in this situation, forced treatment for fentanyl use could potentially save lives. I know this last comment is not possible now but to repeal 110 to make this and other dangerous drugs illegal again to give people a chance to get help is at least a start to helping others get off of it and hopefully less parents like me losing their children.

Sincerely,

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