Hello, this letter is in regards to M110. I am in support of repealing M110.

As someone that has overcome addiction, and has just celebrated seven years clean and sober, M110 is causing extreme harm. I got clean in 2016 because of Multnomah County Drug Court. I had prison hanging over my head and drug court was my only option. I was constantly in and out of jail and was sick and tired of shuffling back and forth from jail to jail and then out to my addiction again. Attending drug court, weekly UAs and recovery classes, helped me create a much needed routine and build a support system.

In 2021 the expungement laws changed in Orgeon making expungement more accessible without the 10 year wait that was previosuly required. I was able to completely expunge my record after 5 years of no new convictions.

If we repeal M110 and bring back Drug Court for low level offenders (ie, addicts) with the new expungement laws they would be eligible to clear their record after 5 years, and we would be giving people a fighting chance at life. THIS IS COMPASSION. THIS WOULD GIVE PEOPLE HOPE.

Please repeal M110

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