

I voted in support of this, but after several years of seeing and experiencing the consequences I would implore the legislature to reverse course and go back to real consequences for drug crimes, and reasonable legal processes for discouraging the use of illegal drugs.

The ticket and a hand slap approach has proven to not be a viable solution. There needs to be a mix of arrest, consequences, and real avenues to a life of non abuse. I feel certain that if the public, law enforcement, and health care advocates want to re-orient the approach the situation can be improved. We can not continue to allow use of these drugs on our streets and having the abusers living on our streets as well. It is obvious at this point that our communities can not survive the results of these policies. We need a new approach using law enforcement and rehabilitation to improve the situation that has resulted. Sincerely, David Leiken, Portland Sent from my iPhone