

**REPEAL MEASURE 110 ASAP and provide funding to successful, data-driven programs with positive, measurable outcomes (not output). And reinstate personal accountability to help those with addictions and lead them to the path of recovery.**

Recent research conducted by DHM shows that over 60% of Oregonians favor recriminalizing hard drugs and allocating most of the state's cannabis tax revenue toward addiction treatment programs. Unfortunately, the majority of the funding is going towards passing out free needles and foil, also known as "harm reduction", versus addiction or rehab programs.

Per May 2023's DHM key insights:

- A majority of Oregon voters think that Measure 110 has been bad for Oregon.
- More than 6 in 10 voters think that Measure 110 has made drug addiction, homelessness, and crime worse.
- 63% of voters support bringing back criminal penalties for drug possession while continuing to use cannabis taxes to fund drug treatment programs.
- Voters become more supportive of bringing back criminal penalties for drug possession when hearing about the state's struggles standing-up treatment programs.
- More voters believe that the root cause of homelessness is drug addiction and mental health problems rather than a lack of access to affordable housing.

Source link: <https://www.dhmresearch.com/oregon-voters-support-bringing-back-criminal-penalties-for-drug-possession/>

It is time for the majority of Oregonians to be heard, and this committee must recommend repealing M110 and initiating or spurring an emergency session to resolve this travesty now. Oregon has become a hard drugs destination.

Our children are receiving the wrong message that illicit, hard drug use is allowed and fentanyl is the number one killer of our youths from age 18-45!

**We cannot afford to wait 6+ months for the next legislative session and its lengthy process to resolve this. Legislators must take their public stance today and call for an emergency session to address Measure 110.**

Drug Court and law enforcement are part of the solution, and M110 has greatly reduced the positive impacts of those tools. Provide the justice system, including law enforcement, the tools to steer addicts to mandatory treatment as a way to avoid jail.

Through the grapevine, the general public is hearing that this committee is solely aiming to criminalize open-air drug use while keeping the rest of M110 unchanged. This approach would likely have negative consequences, as individuals experiencing homelessness may overdose while in tents without access to life-saving Narcan treatment since they will not be visible. At that point, you'd be taking steps to expedite

the deaths of homeless addicts.

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