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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Judiciary

Measure: SB1065

- Establishes a legal process for individuals to set aside qualifying prior convictions related to controlled substance possession.
- Represents a significant step towards addressing substance use and addiction as a public health issue, rather than a criminal issue.
- Aims to end stigma against people who use drugs (PWUD) and expand evidence-based treatment for all forms of substance use disorder (SUD).

Good morning, I am writing today in support of SB 1065. It is imperative we establish a legal process for individuals to set aside qualifying prior convictions related to controlled substance possession. This bill also represents a significant step towards addressing substance use and addiction as a public health issue, rather than a criminal issue. It also ends stigma against people who use drugs and evidence-based treatment for all forms of substance use disorder.

This bill is a step in helping end the devastating impact of the failed "war on drugs",