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My husband and I strongly OPPOSE this bill. Measure 11 was passed by 63% of voters because they were tired of murderers getting life sentences and only serving an average of 8 years, and rapists would be let out early; only serving months instead of the years they were supposed to serve. Crimes should be looked at individually, and appropriate sentencing be made based on the severity and intent of the crime. Not all crimes warrant a minimum sentence, most deserve the full punishment .There is a long continued history by the Oregon Legislature to allow violent criminals to run rampant in Oregon. Criminals will continue to escalate their crimes here in Oregon, especially since there are no long term consequences to their actions. We must hold criminals AND the Legislature accountable.

I have noticed on our neighborhood blog that car windows have been bashed in when parked for a Blazer's game, parked in a recreation center parking lot to use the walking trail to return to a smashed in back window and anything of value stolen, then the other day a woman parked her car in the Tryon Creek parking lot to take a 25 minute run, but when she returned her car window was smashed. Without a deterrent for crime, it will escalate and become even more blatant than it is currently. Only chaos ensues if crimes are not punished. Please OPPOSE this bill!

Thank you!