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On Behalf Of: Ignored Business Owners who have no recourse  
Committee: House Committee On Housing and Homelessness  
Measure: HB3501

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Unless and until you WALK the streets of Salem and talk to actual business owners, you will not understand how Measure 110 and other like measures actually impact the business people as well as home owners. Putting more options on "the books" with no consequences WITH TEETH, does NOT fix any of the problems Oregon tax payer/ business owners face on a daily basis.

December 2019, radio person Fay DeMeyer presented a detailed report to address the homeless and habitual drug user problems by renovating the idle buildings of the former Hillcrest institution in Salem. Hillcrest options could have assisted 480 people to begin their process to get clean and off our streets.

Donors were ready to help. Proposal ignored.

Measure 110 was presented and voted in Nov. 2020. Voters were given an illusion that people facing their crime in the court of law would CHOOSE to make a phone call to get help or face a \$100.00 fine. Statistics show that Measure has NOT worked. Have you looked at those statistics?

You need to take a WALK around the Salem State Capitol and the surrounding business sidewalks.

Oh, YOU don't feel safe to do take that walk?

Why?

The bus transit center is known for drugs exchanges. Buses provide free transportation to juveniles. These city buses are most often driving the Salem streets nearly empty.

Why are we paying for empty buses on many routes?

This is wasted money that could be used in a much more cost effective way don't you think? Maybe help renovate the former Hillcrest buildings?

Until you can explain how your HB 3501 WILL BE cost affective and produce results, I oppose HB3501.