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As a recovering addict I can tell you this m110 is a complete disaster from the day it was penned. Decriminalization of controlled substances was nothing less than handing the keys of the state over to drug addicts and dealers, and they are destroying our cities, towns and communities. Stealing everything that not welded to the earth itself. Making parks, open spaces, and city streets unsafe for children and tax payers. Thinking you could get these people into treatment to get out of a ticket is insane, these people are not interested in treatment they love their drug addict lifestyle. That is why treatment only has a 5% success rate. You can't help someone that doesn't want help. Thinking you can just opens the door for them to manipulate and take advantage of the system and the taxpayers funding these programs. This is not fair to the taxpayers who not only fund these programs but pay dearly with the loss of safety of their families and communities. Knowing these people as I do after all I was one of them. The best way to combat this is to make the punishment out weigh the crime. The citizens of oregon deserve this. Repeal m110. Make crime illegal again. Give our parks back to children, make our streets safe to walk on, our communities a safe place to live and raise a family. Keeping m110 in place is handing the keys over to drug dealers, criminals, gangs and gun violence. Please do what's right repeal m110. Treatment never helped me until I decided I wanted something different then I found AA and NA two free programs that have a 7% success rate if you want to do something support them. Thank you for your time.