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Giving a child free access to the Halloween candy is never a good idea. Everyone knows sugar is addictive and kids would just keep eating it because it tastes so good and gives them so much energy. Absolutely no sane and loving parent would ever allow them to have free access, but the state of Oregon has done just that with drugs. Measure 110 was a mistake - telling addicts that drugs are legal was asking for disaster. When you take away the incentive to stop eating the candy (doing drugs) then no efforts are made to stop. Human nature will always take the easy route and change, stopping addiction is not easy. HB 4002 to study the drug problem isn't going to fix anything. The original bad measure needs repealed and if anything stiffer punishments need inflicted to make doing drugs not easy and acceptable. If we, citizens of this state, are loving caring 'parents' of our fellow Oregonians, the only sane act would be to take away the candy bag.