

I am against M110 and anything that is close to it

In an effort to “keep drug users from having a police record” and stating that “they will have a harder time getting a job with a police record for drug possession”, the supporters of M110 have caused many deaths and destroyed many lives. They have let drug dealers openly sell drugs and users openly use drugs. Those who have continued to use drugs under M110 without intervention from authorities and without anything close to the promised “rehabilitation” rate may not have a police record, but they are now hard-core drug addicts with little hope of any kind of productive future or job.

My wife and I used to enjoy going to downtown Portland where we could eat in great restaurants, stroll along the waterfront and we always went to the Blues Festival. Many years ago, we had friends from out-of-town visit that had never been to Portland. We all went to the Blues Festival and did some sightseeing. They were very impressed with Portland and said we should meet here again and do some more things in Portland.

After the riots several years ago, Portland changed. The liberals would not stand up to those who wanted to “defund the police” and then devastated the downtown area during the riots.

Now the drug/homeless problem re-enforces our desire NOT to go into Portland. The officials say we have a homeless problem, what we really have is a drug addiction problem – solve that and the “homeless” problem will be manageable. The graffiti and homeless tents everywhere make it look like a 3rd world country.

If our friends called and said they wanted to come back and visit Portland, I would tell them not to bother, it isn't anything like it used to be.

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