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Measure: HB4002

HB 4002 repeats the flaw of Measure 110 – no deterrent to use hard drugs and not enough time (15-30 days) to get someone off addictive drugs like fentanyl.

HB 4002 must reclassify possession of hard drugs as a Class A misdemeanor crime – not the lowest level Class C as is being proposed.

Drug treatment must be a mandatory alternative to jail – the voluntary approach under Measure 110 has failed.

Lawmakers should listen to Oregon law enforcement who support a Class A misdemeanor and reject the national drug legalization lobbyists defending Measure 110.