To: Joint Committee on Addiction and Community Safety Response From: Elaine Woods

Re: HB 4036

I strongly support HB 4036 for the following reasons:

- The legalization of all drugs has had a devastating effect on our youth
- Our state is a national disgrace, as youths believe drug use is OK, with no consequences, with resulting soaring deaths of our young people
- Open drug use decreases public safety and increases crime
- Addicts will not give up their drug use and are not choosing treatment
- Reinstatement of required treatment to stay out of jail will help drug

users

- s overcome their addiction
 - The goal should be to get people clean, not allow ineffective non-profit organizations to continue enabling addicts

For these reasons, among many more, please support and pass HB 4036