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I am a recovering meth addict I have been clean for 20 years now and during my time as an active addict, I lost friends, nearly lost my job. Suffered Mini Strokes attributed to the usage of Meth . If it wasn't for law enforcement intervening I would either be in prison or six feet in the ground. I was at the wrong place at the wrong time (a raid) the Yamhill Country Sheriff's office along with the district attorneys office recommended Drug Court and I am forever grateful for them to offer me the opportunity to pickup the pieces of my life that addiction left in its path. I have noticed since Measure 110 the usage of illicit drugs have escalated to the point where addicts have been so bold to the point of consuming their drugs within the public view, I work with the public and this display has been in front of vulnerable children. This is the time to place these drugs back into the previous category to include arrest and mandatory drug intervention or prison time if the addict refuses Drug Court the current laws making these drugs Legal up to a level of personal usage equal to a citation is a Huge Mistake it is time to reverse this measure the sooner the better.