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Measure: HB4002

I have been deeply saddened and disheartened by the very negative impacts of Measure 110. While I support treatment over jailing, that system has clearly failed in its current format and I believe it needs significant changes to meet the needs of our state and its citizens.

The following updates to the law all make sense to me and I urge you to pass HB 4002.

HB 4002 recriminalizes hard drugs – 180 days in jail "or" mandatory, supervised treatment.

HB 4002 bans the use of hard drugs in public.

HB 4002 gives police and prosecutors stronger laws to go after drug traffickers and dealers.