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Public Testimony Regarding Harm Reduction

First I would like to say that I am very supportive of medical harm reduction.

I personally carry Narcan with me and was in attendance of a Narcan training provided by the Royal Rose Foundation to learn how to deploy Narcan and respond to signs of an overdose.

I believe this committee is aware of the conditions here in Portland regarding public use, and the fact it's been very destabilizing to this area.

Non-medical harm reduction such as foil, smoking devices and other products only encourage public use and consumption.

I am that asking that before the approval of HB-4002 an appropriate provision will be adopted to to strictly define harm reduction, a mutually exclusive and exhaustive list of harm reduction supplies that can be purchased, and a requirement that all harm reduction supplies must include a warning label stating the harms of addiction and the number to contact the state addiction hotline along a requirement of time, place and manner for distribution of harm reduction supplies.