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Measure 110 is a failed experiment. it did not help people addicted to drugs, if the increase in drug deaths is considered. It did not help the general public, either, if the increase in discarded needles on the street and other drug use detritus (foil, broken glass) is considered, along with the increased violence and criminality which accompanies increased drug dealing. it did not help merchants downtown, if the continued absence of customers is considered. it may have helped drug dealers to find increased customers--people who have come here from other states, to avoid being legally hassled for their drug use -- but i'm not sure that Oregonians want to aid that particular special interest group (drug dealers). From what i have read, the people advocating for Measure 110's continued existence are groups who are demanding increased government funding for their rehabilitation services to addicted persons...despite the failure of drug users to request their services, in light of the lack of incentive to stop using. Measure 110 simply increased Oregon's attractiveness to drug dealers. it should be repealed. If HB 4002 is the first step in repealing Measure 110, then i support it.