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Providing leadership, advocacy, and support services to Community
Corrections agencies so they can positively impact clients, victims, and the safety and livability of our communities.

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Co-Chair Kate Lieber Co-Chair Jason Kropf Joint Committee on Addictions and Community Safety Response Oregon State Legislature Salem, Oregon 97301

Re: Support of HB 4002 with the -24 Amendment

Dear Co-Chair Lieber, Co-Chair Kropf, and Members of the Committee,

The Oregon Association of Community Corrections Directors (OACCD) represents 36 counties in Oregon that collectively provide a balance of supervision, services and sanctions to nearly 22,026 adults in Oregon who have been convicted of felony and some misdemeanor crimes (see attachment).

OACCD supports the committee's collaborative efforts to identify a balanced approach to the drug epidemic plaguing our state. OACCD appreciates engagement with law enforcement and local government partners to help craft the workable solution in the -24 amendment to HB 4002 and provide a framework of treatment accessibility opportunities moving forward.

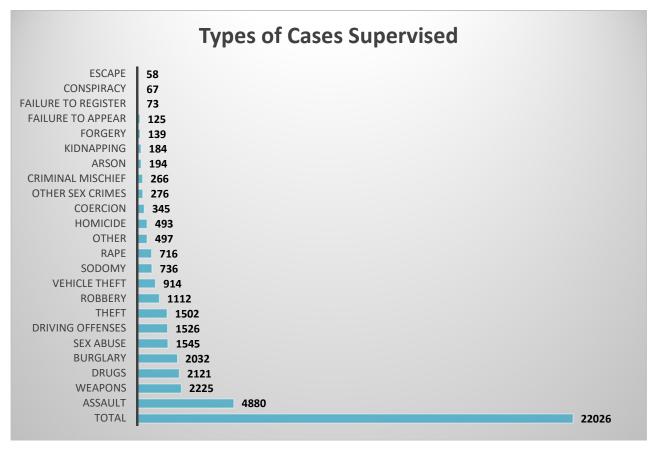
Community Corrections agencies have been implementing evidence-based programming and addiction supports for many years in Oregon. We have a strong legacy of robust assessment, collaboration and problem-solving to address these issues, with proven success. We are committed to supporting individuals with misdemeanor drug possession with assessment, treatment access, evidence-based engagement strategies and supervision services and supportive accountability that creates multiple opportunities for success and wellbeing as envisioned in the -24 amendment to HB 4002.

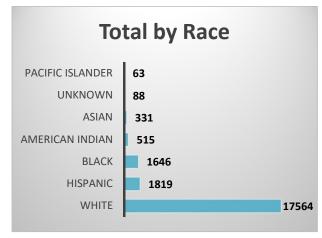
In the 2023-2025 biennium, funding for Community Corrections was decreased from the previous biennium, severely impacting our ability to continue to provide crucial programming, services and supervision to our current population. OACCD appreciates the \$16 million in stop-gap funding this biennium, as it will allow Community Corrections agencies to maintain necessary person-centered programs and appropriate staffing levels to support individuals on their recovery journey, while at the same time contributing to the safety, well-being, and livability of our local communities. Stop-gap funds will also help local communities maintain critical services and programming as we prepare for the changes envisioned under the -24 amendment.

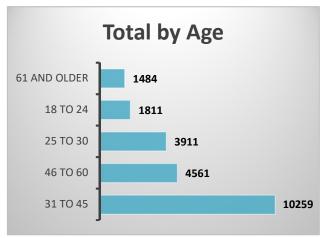
OACCD appreciates the opportunity to provide testimony to support the -24 amendment to HB 4002 and requests the Committee's support of \$16 million to support our current population.

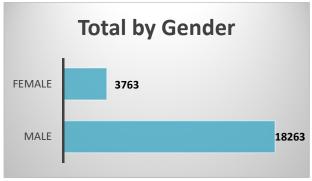


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