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TO: Chair Lieber, members of the Senate Committee on Rules

FROM: Association of Oregon Counties Legislative Affairs Manager, Jessica Pratt

RE: Support HB 4023-A3

Dear Chair Lieber and members of the committee,

On behalf of the Association of Oregon Counties, representing Oregon's county governments, I am writing to urge your support for **HB 4023-A3, a key component for the success of this session's addiction emergency response investments** which will enhance public health and safety by streamlining the development of urgently needed residential treatment capacity in communities across the state.

Oregonians need care where they live and work and right now there simply isn't enough capacity to serve those seeking recovery. While the -A3 is the permanent and preferred fix that local governments need, the -A6 is a valuable alternative that will ensure efficient use of the current state General Fund investment in capital construction for treatment facilities statewide.

AOC urges your support for HB 4023-A3 and we thank you for your support for state-county shared services.

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