



## **Public Testimony in Opposition to SB 1583**

### **Senate Committee on Judiciary**

Chair and Members of the Senate Committee on Judiciary,

4D Recovery submits this testimony in opposition to SB 1583 from the perspective of a direct service provider operating within Oregon's behavioral health system.

4D Recovery is a recipient of Measure 110 funding and delivers services that include deflection in coordination with local partners, street outreach to people not engaged in care, recovery housing, and long-term recovery support. Our work is focused on building durable pathways out of crisis and into stability. To do that, we rely on consistency in funding, governance, and system expectations.

SB 1583 introduces a significant structural shift that would make it more difficult—not easier—for providers like 4D Recovery to sustain effective systems of care over time.

From an operational standpoint, rigid changes to Measure 110 governance disrupt the infrastructure that providers have already built. Over the past several years, 4D Recovery has invested in workforce development, data tracking, clinical supervision, and partnerships aligned with the current oversight structure. We track program outcomes, monitor engagement and retention, and continuously adjust our services to improve results. Sudden changes in administration force providers to reconfigure systems mid-stream, pulling staff time and resources away from clients and into compliance and restructuring.

While 4D Recovery works closely with deflection partners, our core services—treatment engagement, housing stabilization, and long-term recovery support—are health services. These services function best when overseen within a public health framework that understands Medicaid, clinical quality, and continuity of care. Shifting primary oversight to a criminal justice-oriented body risks fragmenting care and creating misalignment between treatment, housing, and recovery supports that must operate as a coordinated whole.

It is also important to clarify that data challenges identified in Measure 110 oversight are not due to a lack of provider accountability. Providers like 4D Recovery already collect and report outcome data, often across multiple platforms with changing requirements. Improvements are

needed in statewide data systems and clarity—not in destabilizing the providers who are delivering services and tracking outcomes in real time.

Most concerning, SB 1583 creates uncertainty at a moment when the behavioral health system is already under strain due to Oregon Health Plan reimbursement reductions and workforce shortages. When funding structures shift abruptly, providers cannot plan staffing, housing capacity, or long-term engagement strategies. Clients experience this instability directly—through service gaps, delayed access, or loss of trusted relationships. For people with substance use disorders, inconsistency in care often results in disengagement, relapse, or re-involvement with the justice system.

Finally, any future changes to Measure 110 funding or governance should be made in concert with the Oregon Alcohol and Drug Policy Commission. The Commission has just completed a comprehensive strategic planning process that reflects statewide needs, evidence-based practices, and system alignment across prevention, treatment, harm reduction, and recovery. Proceeding with major structural changes outside of that process risks undermining the very coordination and long-term planning the state has invested in.

Effective systems of care are built incrementally. They depend on stable governance, predictable funding, and time to mature. Repeated structural changes make it harder for providers to do what the state is asking: deliver measurable outcomes, coordinate across systems, and support long-term recovery.

For these reasons, 4D Recovery urges the Senate Committee on Judiciary to oppose SB 1583 and to prioritize stability, alignment with the Alcohol and Drug Policy Commission's strategic plan, improved data infrastructure, and sustained investment in community-based providers who are already doing this work.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.

Respectfully,

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