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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Judiciary

Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB1583

Chair and Members of the Senate Committee on Judiciary,

I am writing in opposition to SB 1583. This bill would destabilize the systems of care built under Measure 110 by shifting oversight and funding in a way that disrupts treatment, recovery, harm reduction, and deflection services.

Providers and communities have spent years building capacity and trust. Abrupt structural changes make it harder to deliver consistent care and risk leaving people without the services they need.

Oregon should focus on strengthening existing programs and improving data systems, not creating instability through major governance shifts. I urge you to oppose SB 1583.

As a deflection peer I have been able to help countless individuals access care to treatment services in the short time that deflection has been implemented in the state of Oregon.

Since September of 2024 my team and I have helped 111 individuals receive access to treatment services and I believe we are on track to see that number increase as time goes on!

Thank you for considering my testimony.