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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.

Please do not pass this bill that will jeopardize the recovery services that helped me save my own life from heroin and meth addiction. I was homeless and addicted to drugs from the time I was 17 until 22 when I was finally able to get clean due to many treatment programs and services like 4D recovery. Without the support from the treatment teams and the understanding and support of my 4D recovery mentor I don't believe I would be here today. Today I have been clean 6 years and have a beautiful 4 year old daughter, have become a manager in peer services and working towards becoming an addictions counselor, I have supported countless young women like myself who started at a point where they believed they were worthless and would never recover and now have their children back and working towards a career or degree. I beg you to not continue withdrawing the funding from the programs that will save other people like me.

Thank you for considering my testimony.