

Submitter: Valerie Martinez
On Behalf Of: Ms110
Committee: Senate Committee On Judiciary
Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB1583

Chair and Members of the Senate Committee on Judiciary,

My name is Valerie, and I am writing in opposition to SB 1583.

I am someone who has struggled with addiction for many years. Because of Measure 110, I was finally given a real opportunity to change my life. Through these services, I was able to access treatment at Fora Health and, after treatment, receive housing. Without this support, I honestly would not have had anywhere to go.

Measure 110 did more than connect me to services — it gave me stability, dignity, and hope. The systems built under Measure 110 work because they are rooted in trust, relationships, and accessibility. Shifting oversight and funding as proposed in SB 1583 would destabilize these systems and risk disrupting treatment, recovery, harm reduction, and deflection services that people like me rely on.

Providers and communities have spent years building capacity and trust. Abrupt structural changes make it harder to deliver consistent care and could leave people without the support they need during critical moments in their recovery.

Oregon should focus on strengthening existing programs and improving coordination and data systems — not creating instability through major governance changes. I urge you to oppose SB 1583 and protect the services that are helping people rebuild their lives.

Thank you for considering my testimony.

Respectfully,
Valerie