

My name is Basilio Sandoval, I am writing in respectful opposition to SB 1583.

Measure 110 created a system of care that has allowed providers and communities across Oregon to build stronger, more coordinated responses to substance use through treatment access, recovery supports, harm reduction services, and deflection efforts. These services are not abstract policies; they are real supports that have helped individuals and families stabilize, engage in care, and begin recovery.

In my work serving communities in Oregon, I have seen how Measure 110 funding has been especially meaningful for the Latinx community, where many individuals face barriers such as language access, stigma, fear of systems, transportation challenges, and limited culturally responsive services. Measure 110 has helped expand programs that are culturally specific, bilingual, and community-centered, allowing people to seek help in spaces where they feel safe, understood, and respected.

SB 1583 would disrupt the systems that have been built over the past several years. Shifting oversight and funding at this stage risks creating instability for providers who have invested time and resources into building staff capacity, community trust, and culturally responsive service delivery. For many communities especially communities of color trust is not easily gained, and sudden structural changes can undo progress and reduce engagement.

Oregon should focus on strengthening what is already working: improving coordination, increasing accountability, and enhancing data systems without dismantling the current network of care that is supporting thousands of Oregonians.

For these reasons, I urge you to oppose SB 1583.

Thank you for your time and for considering my testimony.

Respectfully,

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