

Submitter:

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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 to express my opposition to SB 1583. This bill would undermine the systems of care established under Measure 110 by reallocating oversight and funding in ways that disrupt treatment, recovery, harm reduction, and deflection services.

Providers and communities have invested years in building capacity, coordination, and trust. Sudden structural changes threaten service continuity and risk leaving individuals without access to critical supports.

Rather than introducing instability through significant governance shifts, Oregon should focus on strengthening existing programs, improving accountability, and enhancing data systems. For these reasons, I urge you to oppose SB 1583.

Having worked in the behavioral health field for 7 years, I have firsthand experience supporting individuals with substance use disorder and have seen how impactful funding for programming, specifically housing and treatment, has been over the past few years.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony.