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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.

My experience in recovery started with the opportunity to be accepted into drug court, and treatment instead of going back to prison here in Klamath County. This was over three years ago, and I have taken full advantage of the opportunities that measure 110 has given to me in recovery. I have over three years clean time, I finished my associates degree and am now finishing my bachelor's degree in psychology. I could be sitting in prison for another close to two years instead of finally realizing my full potential as a person in many aspects such as a father, son, uncle, friend, grandson, and mentor for some family and friends that are still in active addiction. I sincerely believe without Measure 110 and its resources offered to recovering addicts, I would not be living my best life at the moment. I urge you to oppose SB 1583. Thank you for considering my testimony.

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