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This bill will increase trauma across the state, as incarceration will increase. This fuels further addiction and mental health issues for those affected. This bill is regressive, and will result in a poorer quality of life for all Oregonians. Peer approaches must be allowed patience to establish themselves in this system, as carceral approaches have dominated since the state's founding. I am a peer actively training to work in this field, I have found hope and desire to share it with others whose shoes I have been in.