

**MEASURE NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

**PROVIDES STATEWIDE ADDICTION/RECOVERY SERVICES;  
MARIJUANA TAXES PARTIALLY FINANCE; RECLASSIFIES  
POSSESSION/PENALTIES FOR SPECIFIED DRUGS**

Submitted to the Electorate of Oregon by Initiative Petition to be voted on at the General Election, November 3, 2020.

Ballot Measure XX mandates the establishment of at least one addiction recovery center in each existing coordinated care organization service area in the state. The centers triage the acute needs of persons who use drugs, provide connections to other services and offer peer support. The measure requires that services provided by the centers be free of charge and allows service providers to seek reimbursement from insurance providers. All services provided at the centers must be evidence-informed, trauma-informed, culturally responsive, patient-centered, non-judgmental, and centered on principles of harm reduction.

The measure establishes the Oversight and Accountability Council appointed by the Oregon Health Authority to provide grants to existing agencies or organizations to establish the centers. The measure directs the council to oversee the centers and requires that the centers be operational by October 1, 2021. The measure requires that the authority establish a temporary telephone addiction recovery center by February 1, 2021, and terminate the temporary center by October 1, 2021.

To fund the centers, the measure requires legislative appropriations to the authority, redirects marijuana tax account balances above \$11,250,000 quarterly to the authority and dedicates to the authority any savings to the state from reductions in arrests, incarceration and supervision resulting from the measure. Current law allocates marijuana tax revenue for other uses by state and local governments. The measure reduces the marijuana tax revenue for the other uses. The measure also requires that the Secretary of State biennially conduct a financial and performance audit of the fund established by the measure.

The measure eliminates criminal penalties for possession of specified quantities of controlled substances by adults and juveniles involving: heroin (1 gram or less), cocaine (2 grams or less), methamphetamine (2 grams or less), MDMA (less than 1 gram or 5 pills), LSD (less than 40 user units), psilocybin (less than 12 grams), methadone (less than 40 user units) and oxycodone (less than 40 pills, tablets, or capsules). Instead, possession of these specified quantities of controlled substances becomes a non-criminal Class E violation for which the maximum punishment is a \$100 fine or completion of a health assessment with an addiction treatment professional. The measure also reduces penalties for possession of controlled substances, other than possession constituting a commercial drug offense, in amounts greater than specified quantities, to a misdemeanor with less than a year imprisonment, a \$6,250 fine, or both.

The measure creates the rebuttable presumption that a person applying for an occupational or professional license or other authorization, and who was convicted of a

controlled substance Class E violation, is not unfit to hold the license or other authorization.

Certification:

We, the undersigned, hereby certify that, pursuant to ORS 251.215(4), we have prepared the statement described under "Explanatory Statement."

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