

from the office of the

OREGON SENATE REPUBLICAN LEADER PRESS RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Date: December 4, 2023 Contact: Ashley Kuenzi

Ashley.Kuenzi@oregonlegislature.gov

Oregonians Have Been Clear: It's Time to Repeal and Replace Measure 110

SALEM, Ore. – Following today's meeting of the Joint Committee on Addiction and Community Safety Response, **Senate Republican Leader Tim Knopp (R-Bend)**, released the following statement:

"There are two stories about Measure 110 on the ground. The one in our communities and filling up legislative inboxes is a demand for repealing and replacing this failed ballot measure. The version presented in committee today was primarily special interest activists defending the measure they funded with the goal of spreading this disaster to every state in the nation. At the end of the day, Oregon voters know that they were sold a bill of goods with Measure 110. They know that we need to start fresh, and we had better do it now.

"Senate Republicans have asked Democrats for a special session on Measure 110. We are disappointed in their slow response given the magnitude of the situation.

"In the upcoming session, we have got to recriminalize dealing, possessing, and publicly using deadly drugs, give law enforcement the tools they need to provide accountability that will require treatment for addiction, and allow counties to address needs at the local level. Anything short of that would be failure."