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The Oregon District Attorney's Association (ODAA) has participated in extensive and meaningful discussions with the four co-chairs of the Joint Committee on Public Safety (Representatives Garrett and Olson and Senators Winters and Prozanski) regarding sentencing, public safety and corrections changes through HB 3194-A. We are encouraged that this legislation will provide be an opportunity for reinvestments in proven programs that focus on reentry and prevention which will in turn reduce recidivism and initial victimization.

Consequently, ODAA supports HB 3194-A as a meaningful and responsible way to cut prison costs and control future growth while also reinvesting in prevention, re-entry and victims services. Because it is our opinion that a 2/3 majority vote of each chamber of the Oregon Legislature is needed to pass HB 3194-A, we encourage legislators to vote in support of this bill.

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