

Why I support Taylor's Law:

Losing a friend to an overdose is one of the hardest things I have had to deal with in my life. Yes he struggled with addiction and was trying to get his life back but he never asked to die because of the cowards who decided to sell fake/illegal pills laced with fentanyl. It's hard to type this letter and relive the most traumatic experience I still deal with every day. During the night of January 14, 2017 I came home to my apartment to find my friend, Taylor Martinek, slumped over in his bed dead. We called 911, and then my brother and I picked his cold body off the bed and started to give him CPR. We all knew he was not coming back but we had to try because that was our friend and brother. The hardest thing that night wasn't finding Taylor's body but making the phone call to his parents to let them know what had happened. It was also the feeling of letting them down because he was our roommate and we couldn't save him.

Taylor struggled, we all were very aware of this and I hearing that he did this to himself because he was an addict, and yes true he was an addict but he was not trying to kill himself. He did not ask for OxyContin or Xanax to be laced with an illegal drug fentanyl. I am really writing these letters because nothing was done to the individuals who murdered him by selling him illegal drugs. Taylor is dead because of the opioid fentanyl that was illegally added to a lookalike drug. And yet there is no justice or consequence. WHY? How? How does one get away with murder?