

Pretrial detention as it currently exists in the state of Oregon is badly in need of reform. It disproportionately impacts low-income individuals and can have a disastrously disruptive effect on the health and economic security of a detained person. I do not, therefore, feel that I can state that I support this bill, since it assumes that pre-trial detention will continue. That being said, I recognize that making greater allowances for the healthcare of detained people is incredibly important, especially in light of the state's shocking and inhumane failure to do so for the duration of the COVID-19 pandemic.