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On Behalf Of: MHAAO  
Committee: House Committee On Revenue  
Measure: HB2089

Hello,

I am writing to oppose HB 2089. As a person in long-term recovery of over 27 years. I have been in the field of social services working with marginalized community members since 2000. Here is one recent example of a Peer support specialist working with a houseless peer. The peer support specialist met a peer at the Blanchett Meal services and built a relationship with trust and the peer started talking about getting back into in-person recovery meetings for a while. Peer support specialist supported peer in attending meetings together at the Portland Alano Club. With that support, it gave the peer enough confidence to continue planning on putting meetings into his schedule on his days off. We both agree that plugging back into weekly meetings will significantly benefit his recovery.

Thank you for your consideration,

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