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I was originally an opponent to this bill, but since it has become a case of "gut and amend" and is now a completely different bill.

Originally, the bill directed the corrupt OHA to "study" addiction in Oregon - an empty gesture. Now the bill makes it a crime to use recreational drugs while riding public transit. This is a sensible measure. The libertarian in me opposed criminalization of mere possession, but criminalization of public use is legitimate. I am a public transit user, and this amended bill will help attract people to transit.