

## Testimony in support of HB 2555

Members of the House Judiciary Committee,

Justice Advocates is a grassroots group in the Portland area that promotes criminal justice reforms, and we members of Justice Advocates strongly support HB 2555. The Family Sentencing Alternative Program is a successful program, and it should now be made permanent. Why would anyone want to sunset a program that has been proven over a 10-year period to reduce recidivism, which increases community safety, keeps children with their parents or caretakers, and allows qualified parents being supervised on probation rather than being in prison away from their children.

Please support HB 2555.

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