

# Support Senate Bill 1583

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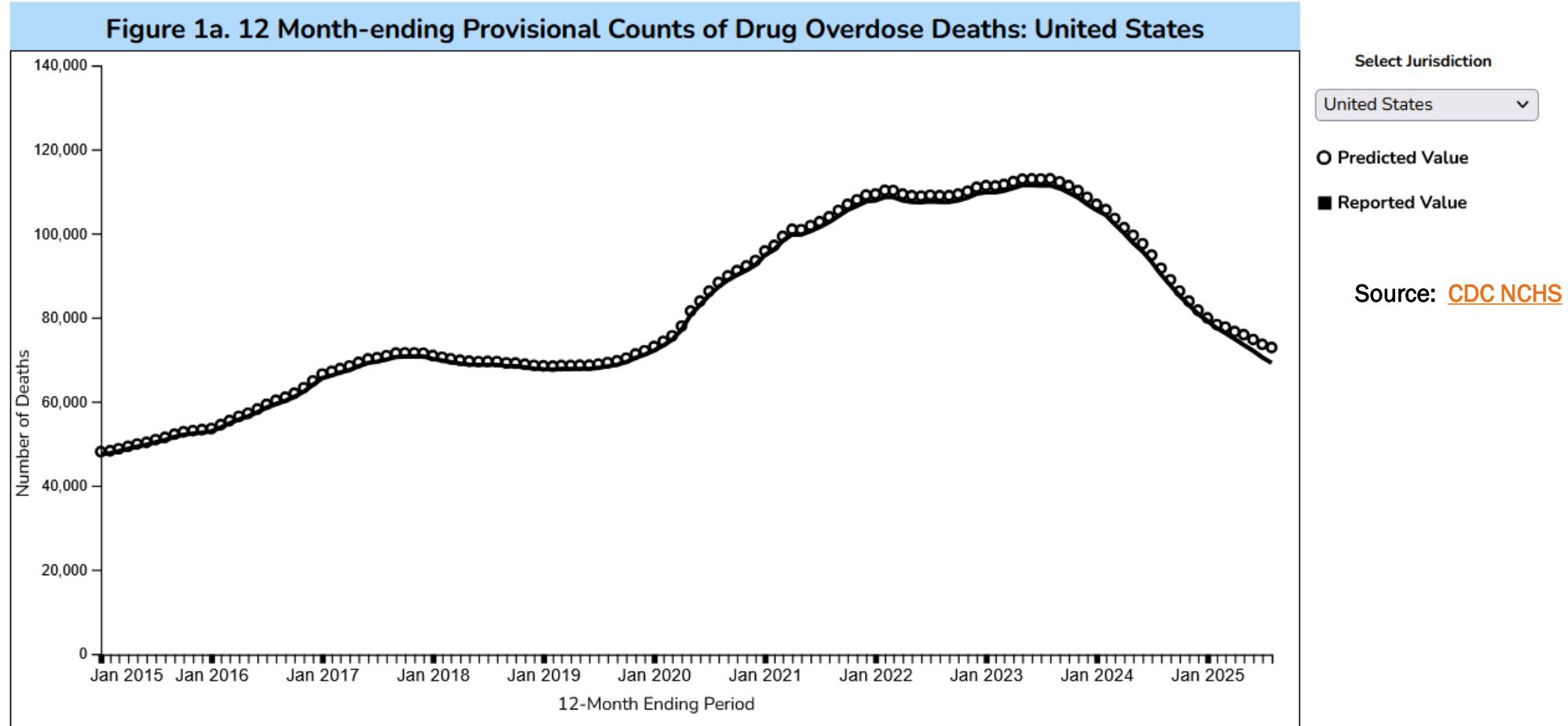
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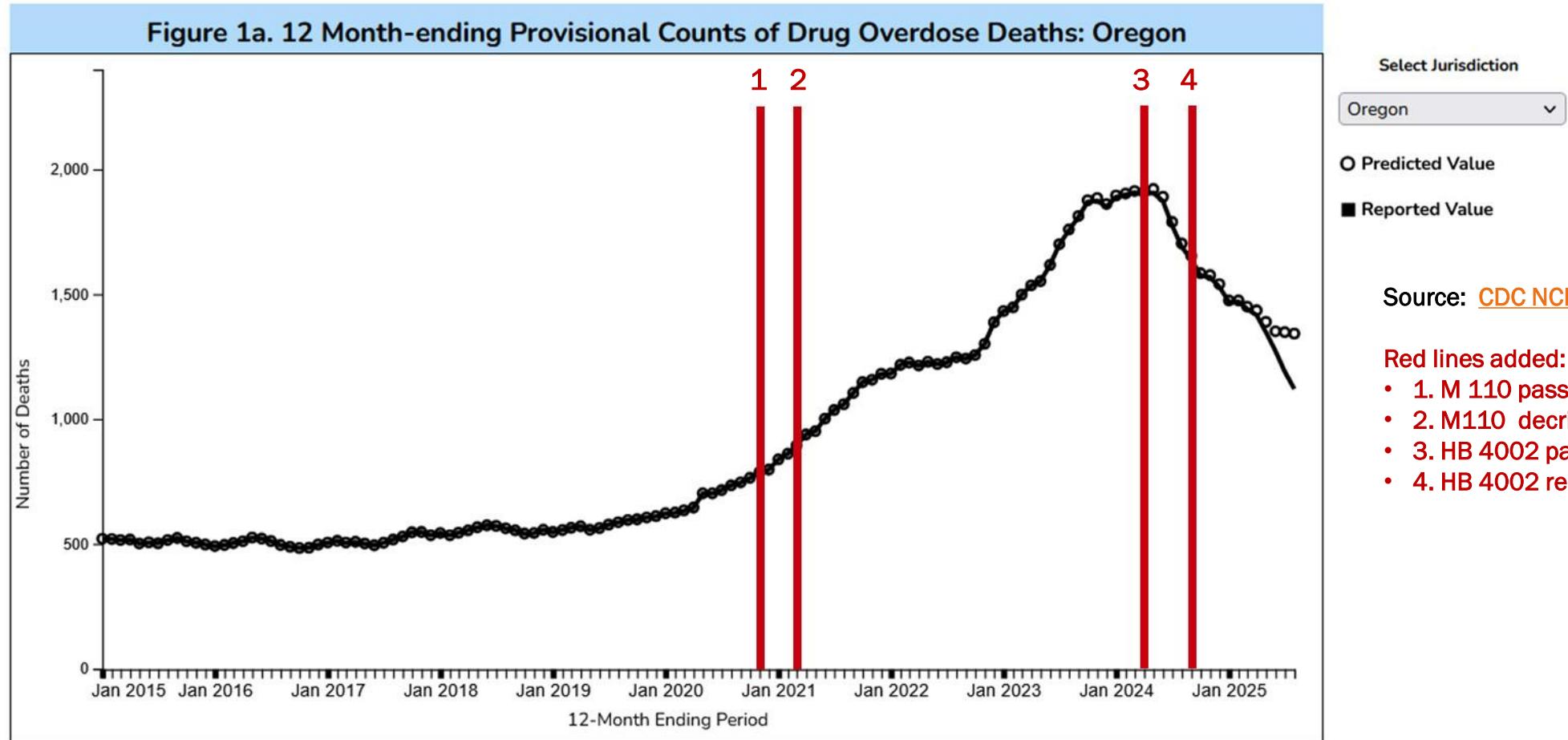
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# There is much debate about why . . .

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- Did the Illicit Fentanyl Trade Experience a Supply Shock?  
*Science* (1/8/26)
- “Shock” in Fentanyl Supply Leads to Dramatic Drop in Deaths  
*Psychology Today* (1/14/26)
- The Real Reason for the Drop in Fentanyl Overdoses  
*The Atlantic* (1/20/25)
- Why Fentanyl Deaths are Falling  
*The Free Press* (1/23/26)

# But the end result is the same . . .

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- Less death, and a golden opportunity:
  - “When their supply dries up, some people get off drugs; now is a great time to help them.”
  - “If we want to lock in the unexpected windfall from the drought, now is the time to focus on getting people clean.”

- Charles Fain Lehman, [The Real Reason for the Drop in Fentanyl Overdoses](#) *The Atlantic* (1/20/26)

# Standing in the way . . .

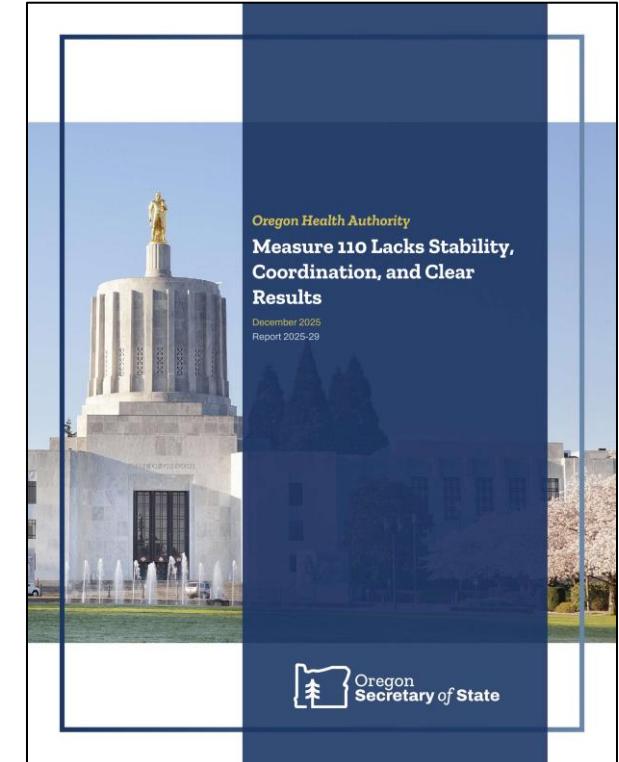
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- 'Enough is enough': Oregon's Secretary of State demands accountability for the state's failed addiction response

*The Oregonian* (12/17/25)

- Measure 110 Lacks Stability, Coordination, and Clear Results

**Oregon Secretary of State  
Audit Report 2025-29 (12/17/25)**



# A Golden Opportunity . . .

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- **Senate Bill 1583**
  - Requires BHRN funding go to prevention, enforcement, treatment, recovery support, harm reduction, and community harm reduction programs that actually work
  - Ensures local control – because resources and needs vary
    - “If you’ve seen one Oregon county, you’ve seen one Oregon county.”
  - Provides accountability
  - Deserves your strong support



# Questions? Comments?



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