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Greetings

Our AICs, loved ones, are very important to all of us here at TDNFTC. Oregonians don't seem to understand that when they voted for Measure 11 (M11) back in 1994 they were not voting to imprison first-time offenders and make Oregon into the nation's only "one strike and you're out" state. Our mission is to educate the public and inform them of the impact M11 has to our families and communities.

FACT: The majority of those currently in prison are between the ages of 31-45, which means they were too young to have voted for M11. No Oregonian younger than 47 had a vote in implementing M11.

Get Involved

We have open voluntary positions within our operations, legal, communications, and financial teams. We meet on the first Thursday of every month via Zoom between 6:30-7:30pm PST. If you or someone you know would like to get involved, please contact us via our online form. We typically respond within 48 hours so please be sure to check your junk folder if you do not see a response from us in your regular inbox.

Your support assists us in helping our loved ones by shedding light on Measure 11 Reform. We cannot achieve successes in this area without the generosity of our supporters. Your contribution helps us to keep our PO Box open, purchase stamps, paper, and ink, conduct research, and advocate for justice reform and improving laws and policies that give families the chance they deserve. Check out our <u>website</u> to view our mission and goals, meet our members, view newsletters, and make tax deductible <u>donations</u>. Please take action today and make a change!













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Did You Know: Cost to Oregon Taxpayers

12 Prisons in Oregon 12,223 AlCs 5,790 AlCs under M11 3,804 M11 First-time offenders Per day to house an AIC = \$140.87 Per year per AIC = \$51,417.55 Per year for all AICs = \$629 million Per year for M11 AICs = \$298 million Per year for M11 first time offenders = \$196 million Per day for those on post-prison supervision = \$12.43

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2023 Regular Session Senate Bill Updates

There were several bills in congress this year pertaining to AICs. Per an email from Senator Prozanski: As of 5/5, any bill that passed out from its chamber of origin and was assigned to a regular policy committee in the other chamber needed to be scheduled for a "work session" to remain in play this session. May 19th is the final day to move remaining bills out of those policy committees. If it hasn't moved out of committee by then, it's considered "dead" this session and cannot advance. Below are updates on these bills as of 5/23/2023:

SB 270 - Authorizes AICs to enroll in academic program at any community college in the state, any distance learning academic program or any other higher education academic program that adult in custody applies for and is accepted into, provided that enrollment in academic program is consistent with administrative rules and regulations adopted by DOC. 3/8 a Public Hearing was held. 4/4 a Work Session was held. 4/17 passed in the Senate and was referred to Higher Education. 4/27 a Public Hearing was held in the House of Representatives. 5/9 a Work Session was held. 5/16, the House had a second reading. 5/18 a third reading was held. 5/23 passed in the House. Next step - Governor's approval.

SB 320 - Provides that person sentenced to mandatory minimum sentence under Ballot Measure 11 (1994), for crime other than murder, who has not been previously sentenced under measure is eligible for reduction in sentence for appropriate institutional behavior and participation in certain programming unless otherwise ordered by court for substantial and compelling reasons. 4/3 a Public Hearing was scheduled but the Judiciary committee pulled this bill, it died in the Senate on 3/31.

<u>SB 321</u> - Creates process by which person convicted or found guilty except for insanity as result of nonunanimous jury verdict may file petition for post-conviction relief within one year of effective date of Act. 3/21 a Public Hearing was held. 4/4 a Work Session was held. 4/14 the Senate referred it to the Ways and Means Committee. **This bill died.**

<u>SB 467</u> - Establishes mandatory minimum sentence of 48 months' imprisonment for assault committed by correctional facility inmate against corrections officer. **It died in the Senate on 3/31.**

SB 520 - Establishes Medical Release Advisory Committee within State Board of Parole and Post-Prison Supervision. Specifies qualifications of members of committee. Establishes procedures by which AIC may apply for early medical release from custody and standards by which committee recommends release. 3/13 a Public Hearing was held. 3/29 a Work Session was held. 4/3 it was referred to the Ways and Means Committee to make amendments. This bill died.

<u>SB 579</u> - Allows persons convicted of felony to register to vote, update voter registration and vote in elections while incarcerated. Specifies that person's residence is where person resided prior to incarceration. 1/26 a Public Hearing was held. 3/9 a Work Session was held. 3/15 it was referred to the Ways and Means Committee. **This bill died**.

<u>SB 1070</u> - Requires sentencing court to consider as mitigation evidence whether defendant was subjected to domestic abuse that was ongoing when criminal behavior occurred and was contributing factor in criminal behavior. 3/28 a Public Hearing was held. 4/4 a Work Session was held. 4/17 it was referred to Human Services. **This bill died.**

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