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Statement on reports of Measure 110 deal

SALEM, Ore. — Today, Representative Dwayne Yunker (R-Josephine County) responded to reports of a deal being struck on Measure 110 reform:

"Accountability is the first step toward a safer, healthier Oregon. As we said last week, my House Republican colleagues and I committed to supporting a bill that reclassifies the possession of deadly drugs — such as fentanyl, heroin, and meth — with accountability at least equivalent to a Class A Misdemeanor with optional pre-trial booking diversion. The safety and health of my constituents is at stake. I will need to see a final draft to ensure it aligns with my commitment before I agree to any deal."

The Oregon Democrats who announced the deal yesterday have taken thousands of dollars from far-left out-of-state activist group Drug Policy Alliance, the group that pushed the Measure 110 disaster back in 2020. In his Feb. 8 letter to the editor of the Wall Street Journal, Representative Yunker wrote: "The body bags are piling up. In my hometown of 40,000 on the Interstate 5 corridor in southern Oregon, there were five murders and 15 overdose deaths last year, up from two murders and one overdose death in 2020."