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I am Barbara Bate, PhD. I have been president of NAMI Washington, president of the board of Willapa Behavioral Health in Long Beach WA, and currently vice president of an all-volunteer 501c3 organization, Peace of Mind Pacific County.

As someone who has watched and worked with numerous people seek recovery from mental health and co-occurring disorders, I strongly support the proposed rule change.

Whatever can help individuals take positive steps to move forward, without additional re-traumatizing in multiple court events, will promote more people leaving jail and finding the solid support that brings them safely into our communities. The Stepping Up Initiative in Pacific County has shown this approach to work.

Thank you for your consideration.

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