I live near Portland's Springwater Corridor (maintained by the City of Portland) and ODOT's multiuse path near I-205. Transient living has been rampant in this area for the last few years and my family has seen firsthand the ways both the city and ODOT manage their properties. The city is by far more equipped to respond to urban camping and provide repeated access to services, which is a critical first step to transitioning people off the streets and into housing. The confusion and safety hazards that result from the current gap in jurisdictional oversight creates zones that are absolutely unsafe, both for housed and unhoused residents. Please support HB4054; we need transparency and effective, ethical, and equitable practices now.

Thank you,

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