

I am a resident of southeast Portland and have worked with folks experiencing homelessness in Portland for the past 6 years. Sweeps by Portland police and the violent laws that prevent people from meeting their basic needs to rest and sleep are incredibly inhumane. No one should be criminalized for trying to survive. The Right to Rest Act is the bare minimum we can do to support people whose lives are already filled with trauma and disregard, which is why I strongly support this measure.