

The unhoused are over policed. I have come to understand in a new way, through talking with formerly unhoused people, the profound effect of a good night's sleep on physical, mental, and emotional well-being. Unfortunately a good nights sleep is virtually impossible when you are unhoused and sheltering on the street, sweeps and police harassment contribute to this impossibility. Although I would prefer to see legislation that ensured that all people can be safely sheltered this bill will begin to contribute to folks being able to advocate for themselves and use their lived experience to develop the policies, plans, and innovations to achieve this goal.