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Portland is becoming undesirable for tax paying residents due the enabling. Businesses are leaving due to inability to maintain safety of their employees and customers while experiencing losses to theft and vandalism. The filth, trash, and discarded needles have caused safety hazards in public areas making them unsafe. Camping under bridges creates safety hazards as fires are inevitable damaging structures. Camping along rivers and waterways damages the ecosystem disrupting native species including Salmon Spawning. Allowing unsanctioned camping poses more of a threat to the safety of Oregon Residents and Wildlife than it is helpful. Unsanctioned camping blocks walkways, and makes it unsafe for persons and children during their morning commutes and time at bus stops.