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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Housing and Homelessness

Measure: HB3501

I strongly oppose this bill. Passing this Bill will exacerbate an already untenable yet still growing problem. Public safety, Public health, access to and appropriate use of public space, and economic activity will all be negatively impacted passing via this Bill. Public "camping" harmed Portland in all of the above mentioned areas and has led to more crime. Hard data exists supporting my statement. It seems to me that supporting this bill ignores that data. This Bill represents a misappropriation of public funds. It does not address the problem, it encourages its expansion. Passing this Bill will be a malfeasance.