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On Behalf Of:

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Measure: HB3501

I am strongly opposed to this bill. The homelessness epidemic in the city has only gotten worse over the last years. We need to be working on solutions to get people off the street provide them with housing and jobs if possible. We shouldn't be putting more bills in place that make it easier and more comfortable to be homeless in the state of Oregon. This just encourages more people to move here from out of state that are homeless and make our problems worse. The current epidemic we are facing already makes it extremely difficult for businesses and underrepresented classes in the city. As a wheel chair bound disabled individual, I have already have numerous cases where I have been forced to use routes that were unsafe due to people tent camping on sidewalks or parks. This is not just an economic issue for me but also a safety issue. I strongly encourage you to vote no on this bill.