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This is a horrible idea please spend the money to figure out a better way to help the homeless. Please don't make it safe for them to just go out and claim public spaces and in those public spaces make it unsafe for our business and community residence ie the PUBLIC... What you propose is for the tax paying citizens who to live in proximity to these camps or single camp now need to fear stolen or damaged property and should they comfort or try to get back their property the homeless now will have legal recourse? We are the tax payers and we deserve to have our current right protected. Homelessness is an epidemic that needs root cause analyst and a different approach... Build more shelters and employ these people try to rehabilitate them rather than protect them and enable them to have safe injection sites and enabling them to sue for space they have no claim to or pay taxes on. This is a band-aid on a bullet hole this is absolutely horrible for Oregon travel and commerce... This has potential to cause many local small business owner to end up going bankrupt and or leaving the area due to homeless camp encroaching on the city and or suburban areas, causing people to stay away for fear of safety and sanitary reasons.

Thank you