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I absolutely oppose this proposal. The chronic homeless population frequently chooses to live in tents over shelter beds due to addiction and the criminal activities that support their addiction, both of which are forbidden in most shelters. Allowing camping in public areas will drastically increase Oregon's already disproportionately high homeless population while also failing to provide safe and humane shelter. I've been a registered democrat since voting eligibility who would vote republican for the first time in my life if this passes.