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The homeless crisis needs to be addressed. We cannot continue to lose our beautiful city to lawlessness and filth. I have grown up in Portland my entire life and used to be proud of my city and its people. When I walk the streets I am shamed that we allow the homeless to desecrate our city's streets, public spaces, and parks. It is bills such as this that prevent us from actually solving any problems and making homeless people in need of help able to actually receive it and better themselves. Instead, it creates a precedent of unacceptable behavior that spreads to the homeless community as it continues to grow. Passing bills like this ensure that many more homeless individuals will move here willingly, be shipped here from other states, or choose to live this new "life style". This bill is bad for businesses, the community, families, children, and the homeless themselves. I oppose this bill and the chaos that it creates for our city.