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This is perhaps the worst idea I've ever seen from the Oregon government in my nearly 25 years of living here. Want to advertise across the nation that we want everyone's homeless?? If you think we have a problem now, just pass this bill and watch the homeless population explode by orders of magnitude. And watch all the law abiding, tax paying citizens flee the state. We have given and given to try to help the situation. Yet nothing gets done. Where does all the money for homeless services go? Why does it cost so much more \$\$ to build low income housing than regular housing? Because it's a profit making business for so many. Surely the same people that have gotten us nowhere close to helping all the unhoused, are the only ones supporting this bill. There needs to be compassion for these people. But there also needs to be enforcement. We've had only compassion. No enforcement. And now the general population is so fed up with the crime, the garbage, the physical assaults by the mentally ill, that everyone is starting to lose their compassion. If this bill passes, I will surely leave the state and watch it implode from afar.