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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Housing and Homelessness

Measure: HB3501

I urge you to vote no on this proposal. Every citizen has a right to privacy, and that is guaranteed in our constitution. This bill goes to far and will significantly restrict, our ability to address our homeless crisis in the state of Oregon

The United States Supreme Court ruled that a city cannot force the removal of homeless encampments if there aren't enough shelter beds, in place to housesit homeless. This was a result of the city of Boise, Idaho, looking to ban public camping. If we allow public camping to go unrestricted, we will disincentive eyes our leaders from creating the kind of space and resources we need for our homeless population.

Allowing our homeless to camp indiscriminately is not compassionate, as a blight on our societies ability to deal with homelessness. Please vote no on this proposal.