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On Behalf Of: Of many residents
Committee: House Committee On Housing and Homelessness
Measure: HB3501

You are giving rights to a group of people that should not have these rights at the expense of tax paying residents. You will allow homeless to put up tents or gather at a residents entry to sidewalks so they can not exit their property, or business that will lose customer with tents in front of their entry. They can place tents or gather near children's play grounds. We have all seen the filth, drug paraphernalia, and human waste near these tents which are public health hazards. They will be able to place tents near and in public parks. Who want to walk around or see the decay they bring. Then to allow them to sue if you ask them to move on from the sidewalk in front of your yards when you have children. It is no wonder residents are moving out of the state and this state reputation is getting worse. Relatives and out of state friends say they do not want to already come to Portland due to its reputation especially homelessness. You should be cleaning up the state not make it worse. It is also not clear from the language in bill exactly how these right will be operationalized. Many of these homelessness refuse help or resources unless it indirectly allow them to get drugs so we subsidize their use by paying for their needs so they can spend money on alcohol or drugs. To be clear I donate my time already to homeless population by buying, cooking and serving meals but his bill goes to far. I can not now support those who favor or vote for this bill. Focus instead on cleaning the state and city up.