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As a resident of Portland, OR and a tax payer in Oregon, I do not support this Bill. Government at both the local and state levels has continued to show ineffectiveness in addressing this issue within our State in spite of the large amounts of money spent. Quite frankly, is this the best you can come up with in terms of addressing it - adding another level of Bureaucracy. This will solve nothing. What I would love to see from the Legislators and Governor is more transparency and accountability on already existing efforts to insure we are getting the best for our tax dollars. Why aren't we looking at places like Bybee Lakes Hope Center with whom we can partner to achieve better results. From my perspective, that is a better use of our dollars than creating yet another bureau to oversee an already dysfunctional process. And given that I live in Multnomah County, to learn of the current budget deficit with re: to Homeless Services, I no longer can support our Government handling the situation in a manner that is accountable and transparent. Shame on Governor Kotek for even introducing such a half-baked idea.