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It is already so difficult to enforce safe walk ways in our neighborhoods - this bill will more deeply entrench the situation in places that are not ideal or safe for anyone. There are significant ADA issues with these camps. It is very difficult to feel safe and navigate along many walk ways in our neighborhood with out kids. Moreover, we've been dealing with these encampments on both private and public property in our neighborhood - it's nearly impossible to safely address these encampments at this time and this bill would make it essentially impossible. The language of this bill that define 'encampments' is also very vague and could have unintended consequences. There seems to be much better ways to address and empower all parties involved than this bill that essentially codifies the current unacceptable status quo. It really seems like this bill has very high risk of making this issue much more worse for the long term.