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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Housing and Homelessness

Measure: HB3501

In regards to HB 3501 I have one question immediately

WHAT IN THE WORLD ARE YOU THINKING????????????????? THE CONCEPT
IS CRAZY!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

This is totally contrary to the Governor's plan to reduce homelessness in the state and work towards a solution.

If the goal is to ruin the entire state by allowing camping anywhere (including the Oregon State Capitol grounds or the sidewalk in front of your individual homes) and turn Oregon into a giant campground, this bill will do the job. Even more people and companies will be leaving the state (reducing tax revenue).

1) Stop enabling homeless people. There have to be consequences for breaking laws.

- Those who do not want to accept temporary housing or mental health/drug abuse help should be given one-way tickets home if they aren't from Oregon.

2) Accelerate the building of affordable housing. Those who do not want to be in a homeless situation would benefit from being able to find affordable housing.

3) For those who cannot/will not improve their situation due to severe mental health/drug issues, consider placing them in state care to get them off the streets into a more stable situation. You are doing them a disservice by allowing them to continue camping.

4) Open more sanctioned RV/housing sites governed with rules (no drugs or alcohol, must accept help for housing, etc) to assist people into more stable housing. Many communities are trying to improve the situation of homelessness. Do not reverse their goals and advancement by enacting this ridiculous bill. You will be doing more harm than good.

Sign me,

A disgusted citizen