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I had additional testimony to submit, adding to my earlier testimony. Homelessness is a huge problem here in Oregon and getting worse every day. This proposed bill would just add to the current problem I guarantee it, especially in the big cities of Portland, Salem and Eugene. It is unbelievable that legislation officials who are paid by us taxpayers would even consider something this outlandish. 99% of the citizens of Oregon are opposed to this bill why would you even propose it in the first place. This is a waste of our taxpayer dollars to sit and discuss a ridiculous idea in the first place. You officials are elected by the people and therefore work for the people of Oregon. This state has turned into a cesspool of high crime from the homeless camps everywhere with drug addition, theft, and assaults and harassments to the public. There is already problems which are health hazards ,garbage etc. from this issue, and as you all remember in the last 3 years the human waste and garbage downtown Salem which supposedly couldn't be cleaned up due to Covid. Then it was finally cleaned up last year with signs posted no camping, no trespassing only to be back to the way it was the next week. No one enforced nothing. The homeless don't care about any rules or even care to find employment to help themselves. to get out of their situation. They just want a free handout and Oregon is doing just that. This state needs to stop enabling them or it will never end, Just like the legalizing of drugs to a misdemeanor here hasn't accomplished anything but attract more people from other states to come here. Oh lets go to Oregon they allow free drugs and no accountability for anything. We were the laughing stock of the country.

Some people might argue that oh homeless people have rights too but it's time they start pulling their weight and get jobs to become productive in their lives just like the rest of the people do. When they keep getting a free ticket to ride, they become lazy, loose their self esteem and don't want to better themselves. Stop with this ridiculous proposal and find a real way to deal with the situation. Like affordable housing to start. Vote No on HB3501 and remember all of you can be voted out of office the same way you were put into office.