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Criminals, drug addicts, and alcoholics will be the beneficiaries of this bill. They have claimed the streets and this bill enables the activity. Make street camping illegal immediately by opening some city parks for free camping. Historically camping has been done in public parks with a minimum of infrastructure. There are individuals who are homeless on our streets due to economic reasons. Homes are being created for that problem. The remaining riff raff wants to camp for free and steal what they want while they struggle with their personal issues. They are creating camps by destroying our infrastructure. They are not monitored and cannot be controlled. They pose a threat to every citizen who steps outside their homes. These people know how to camp and will get what they want. Quit enabling illegal activity. Give them a legal place to camp and take responsibility for the problems. Quit sweeping them into unmonitored areas in the community domain. Put them in a park immediately and work from there. Until they have a place to camp they will camp wherever they choose. Just give them a place to camp now. They aren't asking for laundry services, pods, counseling, or the cities oversight. Just a place to be left alone and camp.