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From I have seen of your idea in the area around Brookings, Harbor, Grants Pass, Coos Bay, Cave Junction and Medford, I will voice my opposition to this bill. I have seen public camping in all these locations. What the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals allowed has been abused by MANY. What this bill is going to do is allow filth, drugs and crime to be present on OUR public property. I have seen ONE person here in Brookings that follows the ruling of the Ninth Circuit Court. I see MANY homeless people set up on public property as well as ODOT easements and within a week there is trash all round that tent or camp and when they leave, the trash doesn't. Legalizing an illegal act is not the answer. Get jobs back into this country so people can work. STOP raising taxes for luxuries and nonessentials so people can stay in their houses that they are renting or buying.