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This bill is not something to simply allow someone to rest. This allows for complete residence of someone for an unlimited amount of time in any public space, with them being incentivized to sue if anyone so much as says anything about it, such as "Hey we'd like to have our kid's soccer game but your tent is in the middle of the field" or "wow there is garbage everywhere, that need to be kept clean?" We have programs to help people, and I don't want people rejected help who want to better their lives, but at the same time it is not our responsibility to sacrifice our parks, towns, and safety thinking that letting anyone live anywhere will somehow make things better. There are several progressive towns in California, Oregon, and Washington and those who do the most to help "aid" the homeless seem to have exceptionally large homeless populations which have grown considerably since their programs have passed.