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On Behalf Of: Self

Committee: House Committee On Housing and Homelessness

Measure: HB3501

HB 3501 what was this committee thinking?

This bill would destroy cities. This bill would allow vagrants / homeless to over run our cities with no way to stop them.

My question is to this committee is , would you like to have a vagrants/ homeless encampment at your front door , and not have a way of moving them along . In my neighborhood, since I live across from a city park , I have seen vagrants using drugs , vagrants urinating against buildings or squatting by a tree to do thing that should be doing in a bathroom but to lazy to walk to one .

We have had vagrants vehicles parked in front of our house and after the 72 hour move order, they leave but leave trash behind . We clean up after them . We see out our front window of our home the problems they bring with them . Here are just few of the things I'm experiencing . Fights, foul language, undress bodies at different stages, , dogs dogs tied to trees barking for hours, vagrants yelling at dogs barking for hours , drugs being used , smoking in a no smoking park . Guns going off at night , drug deals going down. I can go on about the things they bring with them into our neighborhood.

Just in our park we have had many fights that break out among the vagrants /homeless. We have seen them throw knifes into the old trees in the parks, break some of the younger trees from tying dogs to them. I'm in the Grants Pass garden Club and the area in the park is over run by the vagrants ... I would feel very uncomfortable digging in the dirt where they urinate or needles could be hidden. We have also had a stabbing, shooting, and prostitution. And many more offenses that they have cause. This park has had events but now many have been moved due to being unsafe because of the vagrants / homeless. Why should we all suffer due to the vagrants / homeless.

The term HOMELESS is a joke , the majority of the people we see labeled homeless in our parks are in the age that could be working . I'm 68 and I know for a fact I could get a job if I had to . We have a neighbor and she is in her late 60s to early 70s and she is working . They just don't want to work or follow rules .

We have a pre-school by us and they have found drug paraphernalia in the play yard and now are losing clients because of it.

And this committee wants to give them more rights. Do they work? Do they pay taxes? Do they follow the laws . NO NO NO

We have a real problem with too many people or organizations that want to help them but really they are not, what happening is these organizations are enable them to be free loaders. Why work if it given to them for free no stings attached.

We need to stop organizations from feeding them in city parks, having free vet clinics

in the parks , and we heard free needles handed out to all the druggies in the parks . Feed them at there locations not in a city park where family's come to . I'm totally against this bill and any other that will give them more rights . All they do is take from the good citizens and the city in which they decide to plant them self and move on the find another place to destroy.

Today in our park we have a large group of vagrants / homeless most of them I see are young people, but of course they are tatted, wild color hair. It hard to market yourself for a job looking the way they look.

I know if I owned a business I would not hire them looking that way .

Stop enabling them, make them work for what they get it the way to stop this from growing out of control and ruining our cities.

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