HB 3501

House Committee On Housing and Homelessness

I am opposed to your proposed bill on homelessness. While you may believe this will provide relief to those experiencing homelessness, it does nothing to resolve the underlying issue. You need to evaluate providing mental health and addiction counseling to these people rather than enabling them to continue with their current path.

Additionally, this proposed legislation is harmful to the homeowners and taxpayers. No one wants a tent or individuals obstructing the sidewalks or living in front of their home. The rights of property owners need to be foremost in your minds. Unfortunately, alcohol and drug addiction are realities within the homeless population. Your HB 3501 puts me, and other Oregon taxpayers, directly in harm's way.

Please find a solution that will work and not jeopardize me and my family.

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