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Amelia, Portland: I was tear gassed six times in Portland in 2020. I only began to realize the impact it had on my hormones and health nearly a year later. I experienced lack of hunger for a few weeks after getting tear gassed and I had to remind myself to eat though I wasn't hungry. I've never experienced lack of appetite before and it scared me that tear gas could mess with my appetite and brain activity so much. I also experienced the PPB throwing flash bang grenades at protesters, and a few had pieces that landed on our ankles. It was terrifying knowing the PPB were shooting them off indiscriminately with total disregard for protesters' safety. No police agency in Oregon should use tear gas or flash bang grenades on Oregon soil, and I implore the legislature to take action.