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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Housing and Homelessness

Measure: HB3501

To whom it may concern,

What planet are you living on? This bill is the antithesis of what your constituents want. One of the main reasons that the gubernatorial race was so tight and almost lost to a republican candidate was because of the public's concern over the homelessness crisis and the accompanying scourge and crime it has brought on our communities. Granting increased rights to those taking advantage of the situation to camp in our public spaces is completely backwards and not in line with the promises made by governor Kotek in her election campaign. Public camping, be it in tents, structures, or RVs leads to excessive littering, environmental damage, and violent crime. I know almost none of you voting on this bill live in communities being directly affected by these issues so you may feel like that is an exaggeration, but it isn't. Ask your constituents who are living in the communities most affected.

Please consider these concerns, and do not pass this bill in its current form.