

Submitter: Nancy Kearney

On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Housing and Homelessness

Measure: HB3501

I oppose this absolutely. This means that all the druggies that are on the sidewalks and grassy area between sidewalk and street (which are considered public spaces) can just camp wherever they want in front of anyone's home. This is what we have been trying to get rid of, not encourage more of the same. There are already problems with handicapped people not being able to use the sidewalks and prohibitions against people camping in public spaces near schools. If camping is allowed in public parks, then the public parks are really not able to be used by the general public for the purpose they were created because of the dangers that camping has created (needles, crime, etc.).