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IAM Against this bill!!

Tax PAYING Oregonians have a right to clean public spaces to enjoy. Freedom to walk and play, go to work and leisure traveling on PUBLIC TRANSIT free from Crime, Drug use, trash, and the infested rodents that come from overflowing homeless people taking over the public areas.

Oregonians will stop paying taxes by leaving the state. Because the beautiful state will fall to unhealthy levels beyond what it is today.

Revenue from the current population of taxpayers will keep dropping and with the loss of taxable income from those taxpayers, resources to help the homeless population will suffer more and more Oregonians will become below the current poverty levels.

Compounding the approval of the homeless to take up any place where they want to squat is not helping them get a hand up; it is giving them a place to sit on their butt.

People who have been given tarps and tents to squat and public spaces, keep doing it over and over again with taxpayers giving them the same resources over and over it does not change the behavior of the homeless.

Being uncomfortable creates change the current mindset it's OK to stay homeless because someone will give me what I need to stay out on the streets.

If we were to give them more prison space that was never used for the prison they have more options to get off the street. Unfortunately, they don't want to live by the rules of getting clean and sober. Those that choose to get clean and sober have more choices and places to live and become better citizens, not living on the street. If the people want a place to keep their stuff, they usually get a storage unit or a home. We shall not allow tents and tarps to be a place to store their stuff because they do not keep their areas clean. Those areas attract rodents, rodents carry disease. We do not need illness on our streets and think that is the normal way to live!! By passing this bill it will be encouraging and allowing the homeless population to keep on squandering away the taxpayers money because they are excepting this disease as way of life and with our blessing it will be our curse.

Change only happens when you're uncomfortable we cannot allow homeless people to get comfortable on our streets. Otherwise nothing changes other than the loss of

the taxpaying citizens who want to clean safe environment to live flourish and grow. I absolutely oppose this bill.	