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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Housing and Homelessness

Measure: HB3501

I strongly oppose HB 3501 as it is the wrong thing to do. This bill gives even more rights to people living on the streets and makes it even more likely that they will be comfortable doing so. I want them gone! What about the rights of citizens of Oregon who aren't living in a tent or doorway, but want to be able to walk in their neighborhoods without seeing people living in squalor with trash and junk RV's, or to be assaulted by these people? Don't we have a right to not have to walk into traffic because tents occupy our sidewalks? This is more enabling legislation - what we need are programs to get these people off our streets, get them psychiatric help, get them addiction care, get them real housing, and get them jobs - please do not give them more rights to occupy our public areas. I live in Beaverton and am sickened and saddened by how Portland has changed for the worse because of a tolerate and enabling government. And I vote Democratic!