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On Behalf Of:

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I am gobsmacked you would propose a bill like this considering the current crisis in Oregon. While I appreciate the spirit of this bill, one just needs to look around to see unsanctioned camping in public spaces is having a negative affect on neighborhood livability, safety and security. The state of Oregon and the City of Portland are losing investment (people moving and businesses closing) due to a large part to this issue. This bill shows no balance in your approach to this crisis. The solution needs to consider the homeless but also the impact on safety, security, livability and economic viability of neighborhoods. I oppose this bill.