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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Housing and Homelessness

Measure: HB3501

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Right to rest

I oppose HB3501. This bill will allow homeless to take over our most beautiful tree lined streets and parks. Who is going to protect the public from the litter, drugs and crime associated with more homeless camps? Children won't be able to play in their yards or neighborhood parks. Imagine the danger to our forests? Allowing tents and tarps to be put up anywhere and everywhere is a safe solution? For who?

The bill only protects the rights of the homeless and allows them to sue anyone that asks them to leave. What about the property taxes we pay to live in a neighborhood of our choosing? If a group of homeless take over our street who will buy our homes when we want to leave? Who will pay for their court costs when they sue? We the taxpayers will of course. Not only is it a waste of taxpayer money it would tie up our court system which is already overburdened.

How this bill is the best our state can do to deal with the homeless crisis just only cause greater problems for the general public in this state including homeowners and visitors. Please go back to the drawing board and come with a safe and reasonable solution to the problem.

Personally, I am ready to follow the migration out of this state. I never thought I would have to say that. I love Oregon. But not the Oregon you are creating with bills such as this.

Thank you,  
D. Deaton