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As a resident of Portland, I can attest to the fact that public camping is destroying the city and is inhumane to the campers themselves. Public camping brings crime and unsafe conditions to both the campers and the public around them. Fires are a constant problem with public camps and drain the resources of the fire department. Overdoses and pedestrian fatalities are common. This bill will only further these problems and perpetuate the inhumane state that the homeless are living in. We need to focus on mental health and addiction services and get people off the streets.