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There are already protections in place and this bill would further tie the hands of officials trying to get our cities sidewalks and public space back to being safe for all people. Bills like this are making Oregon uninhabitable for those of us who are not houseless. Those who own homes and pay taxes are fleeing the state and bills like this will promote this flight. This will clog the courts with new lawsuits with the promise of cash for houseless individuals and the lawyers who represent them. We should be trying to minimize camping in public places, not promoting it. Let's get the help these people need in place and focus energy there. I strongly oppose this bill.