Submitter: Palmer Kellum

On Behalf Of: Self

Committee: House Committee On Housing and Homelessness

Measure: HB3501

Dear legislators, I'm not here to tell you we shouldn't address the homeless situation in our state. I AM here to tell you that HB 3501 is a very short sided, unintelligent, and unfair way to go about it.

Probably the worst part about it is that it will take our parks and other publicly owned spaces away from 99.9 percent of our population and give it to the .1 percent of our population who are experiencing homelessness. This is WRONG. Look no further than the City of Portland and Multnomah county to see how it has worked for them. Please kill HB3501 as soon as you can before we waste any more time on a very bad idea. Then we can all turn our energies to doing something that could possibly help the problem. Thank you. Palmer Kellum. Native Oregonian of 71 years.