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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Housing and Homelessness

Measure: HB3501

This is literally the opposite of what we should be doing to make our city viable again. You are asking tax payers to obey the laws and pay more in taxes to help with the homeless problem and then turn around and make the problem worse. It is a slap in the face to all the law abiding, tax paying citizens. When does it become unfair for the rest of us? Businesses are leaving, people with money are moving out of state, and Portland is no longer considered a beautiful and safe city to visit. Why is this measure even being considered?? Put people in jail if they broke the law, open up more mental hospitals to take care of and house the mentally ill, and make more rehab centers for drug addicts. If I could see the tax money that I am required to give go towards making an improvement in the city, I would gladly pay for more in taxes. But this is an insane idea, thought up by incredibly dumb people. Let's try it the tough love way this time, since the "loving" way is not working!