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I am a Portland homeowner for 20 years and my family does not feel safe walking in my neighborhood because the homeless have taken over a large percentage of sidewalks in the inner SE neighborhood and downtown. I am regularly harassed by homeless people trying to jog on the Springwater trails and waterfront loop. There are not enough police on Portland's payroll and the overwhelming trash and tent encampments have taken over large areas of sidewalks. This bill prioritizes their activities over the community's and with skyrocketing taxes, pathological altruism like this bill would be a death blow to the community.