

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Tommy Kelly

**Date Submitted:** 06/10/2019 01:57 PM

**Council File No:** 14-1057-S8

**Comments for Public Posting:** There is hardly a more obvious example of the criminalization of poverty in Los Angeles than 85.02. A vehicle is a safe place for someone to rest and store their things, a small refuge from the daily struggle for survival on Los Angeles streets, and you want to take that away as well? Are you going to provide safe parking for all 16 thousand Angelenos living out of their cars? Stop punishing the poor for using the means available to them to seek shelter. I'd like to echo Eric Brightwell's comment: "the least these smogboxes can do is provide emergency shelter". It makes no sense to push people out onto the sidewalk when their vehicles are perfectly usable as shelter.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Angelo

**Date Submitted:** 06/10/2019 07:05 AM

**Council File No:** 14-1057-S8

**Comments for Public Posting:** I oppose measure 85.02. If we're willing to give millions in subsidies and tax breaks to landlords and realty companies, fight tenant protections, and give zoning privileges for high income housing, putting people and families into their cars, let's not be cowards and want the cops to remove them because we're can't face the consequences of our actions. Don't like people sleeping in their cars? There's only one solution: housing for all, tenant protections, and allowing people top live with dignity. Don't be a coward who can't face your neighbor who sleeps in their car (are we forgetting sleep is necessary? Or do housed people think the homeless don't deserve to sleep?) after you got yours. And it's only going to get worse since wealth keeps getting concentrated more deeply into fewer people's bank accounts and more people fall into homelessness each month than get out of it. I never thought it would happen to me but have been living in my car for 7 months. Have the courage to get people hosting rather than get the police to move what you consider an eyesore which is someone who needs to sl hero just as will as you.

## Communication from Public

**Name:**

**Date Submitted:** 06/10/2019 11:01 AM

**Council File No:** 14-1057-S8

**Comments for Public Posting:** This will only further criminalize and penalize the poorest and most vulnerable members of our society. It is also punishing individuals who are trying to survive with the finances that they have, which is not alot. The city continues to struggle with addressing the growing homeless crisis and this bill will only add to the already existing problem. I am asking the council to oppose this.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Tristan Rodman  
**Date Submitted:** 06/10/2019 10:04 AM  
**Council File No:** 14-1057-S8  
**Comments for Public Posting:** I oppose 85.02 because countless Angelenos rely on their vehicles as their homes, and prohibiting sleeping in vehicles will stoke an already shameful homelessness crisis and leave many people in our city without a place to sleep.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Liz Hirsch

**Date Submitted:** 06/10/2019 05:03 PM

**Council File No:** 14-1057-S8

**Comments for Public Posting:** Will it be cars, or tents? LAMC 85.02 criminalizes poverty and inevitably drives up the number of Angelenos with no other option but to live outside and suffer the physical and psychological tolls. Please vote to get rid of this vindictive ordinance!

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Nicholas Dowling

**Date Submitted:** 06/10/2019 10:22 PM

**Council File No:** 14-1057-S8

**Comments for Public Posting:** Criminalizing the act of sleeping in one's car is inhumane. I STRONGLY oppose 85.02, and if you care about human dignity and well-being, you should, too. We need to look at our brothers and sisters who are struggling to keep a roof over their heads not as outside of our community, but very much a part of it and in need of compassion and understanding.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Taiji Miyagawa  
**Date Submitted:** 06/10/2019 10:46 PM  
**Council File No:** 14-1057-S8  
**Comments for Public Posting:** Questions for all Council Members: For un-housed people that are still fortunate to own a car, how does it help them to force them to sleep on the pavement? For women and children in this situation. How does 85.02 make things safer for them?

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Dwayne Okpaise

**Date Submitted:** 06/10/2019 10:52 PM

**Council File No:** 14-1057-S8

**Comments for Public Posting:** It is unconscionable to be criminalizing people sleeping in cars given the number of unhoused and unsheltered people living in the city. This will only push more people out onto the streets and into even more precarious situations. I oppose LAMC 85.02



## Communication from Public

**Name:** Andrew Hall

**Date Submitted:** 06/10/2019 10:53 PM

**Council File No:** 14-1057-S8

**Comments for Public Posting:** I urge the council to oppose LAMC 85.02 and any other action that criminalizes poverty. The city should be housing those who have nowhere else to sleep.