

DEAR Senators

I am a citizen of Astoria Oregon and I am in favor of this bill. And ask that my testimony to be entered into the public record.

I am have been a homeowner in Oregon for over 35. I am retired, disabled and now need to use my home to supplement my small income.

Over the years I have seen my taxes and utilities double. As an older citizen I struggle to make ends meet.

I agree that barring homeowners like myself from sharing their legal dwelling how they choose should not happen.

As cities struggle with housing for low income and tourist industry workers they need to focus on building low income housing not telling me to get a roommate.

I also resent the fact that as my little town changes and more tourist drawing businesses are built and welcome, I am being told if I take advantage of the tourist coming to town somehow I am the one hurting the community, yet I must put up with more traffic, crowding, and higher costs.

One last point, prohibitions and laws that try to block and prohibit citizens from home sharing seems to play into the development of more hotels and all the problems that bring.

Home sharing should be encouraged not discouraged as the footprint of Oregon grows smaller.

Private property owners have the right to do they want with their legal dwellings.

Thank you for your time,

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