

From the desk of: Rep. Karm Power

# VOTE *Yes* ON SB 608

## It's time for Oregon's housing market to work for **EVERYONE**

**Protection from rent instability.** Under SB 608, rent increases to current tenants would be limited to 7% a year over the consumer price index for properties over 15 years old. This is a reasonable amount for landlords while stopping the abusive rent spiking that so many people in Oregon are experiencing. Paula Pena of Salem spoke of the 90% rent increase her parents received and the 30% increase her sister received and how she and her husband are now having to help them out financially while raising their own family. There is no justification for this kind of profiteering and today there are no limits on what landlords can charge current tenants.

**Protection from unfair no cause evictions for tenants while protecting landlord's ability to sell, improve, or reclaim properties.** SB 608 limits no cause evictions so that people who have lived in their homes at least a year cannot be expelled through no fault of their own.

More than 80 tenants, landlords, property managers, teachers, nurses, faith leaders, and community members testified in favor of SB 608 over nearly four hours. People came from Medford, Bend, Brookings, Shady Cove, Portland and Salem. Their message was clear: they cannot wait any longer for action.

*BP*  
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Turn over to see organizations supporting SB 608

# WE SUPPORT SB 608



Oregon Alliance to End Violence Against Women



...and many more.

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