

This bill places additional burdens on landlords during this pandemic with no solutions for tenants. A brief extension of the grace period should be adopted until the legislature can come up with a solution for tenants to pay their rent. It would appear from case numbers and vaccination rates that this pandemic emergency is in its twilight. Ultimately the State must pay these tenants' back rent and should get to work on how to approach that as soon as possible.

In Oregon no tenant is going to be able to find a rental despite prohibitions on rental history during the emergency. Standards are outrageously high due to landlords tightening up after being terrified by the last rent control bill. If you are a struggling tenant in most Oregon markets there is no place for you already, lack of rental history review during the emergency will not help tenants.

Landlords are already carrying a disproportionate burden from the pandemic emergency, this is more piling on. This bill was not crafted to help tenants, merely to further punish landlords for the business they are in. Please figure out how to pay tenants back rent, the only short term solution to the pandemic emergency in housing. Long term please force cities to consider citizens that would like to move to their communities that will need affordable housing rather than solely the current residents whom want to be the last ones to move there.