

The Moratorium on "current rent owed" must come to an end. I think it is more than fair to give tenants time to get their rental debt paid back, but if we continue extending current rent due this will only move the problem down the road. With the immense amount of tenant funding available, owner compensation, vaccines available, and every other business hiring, there remains little to no excuse to continue this moratorium. The only way to get back to "normal" is to get back to normal. Extending the moratorium is a mistake and should not be done. The state has demotivated people from paying rent and even created poor rent payment habits for otherwise normal paying tenants. It is time to move forward.

A compromise may be to extend the moratorium on late fees. No late fees until Feb 2022 to match the payback period. Landlords must regain the ability to hold tenants accountable for rent payments, it's paramount to Oregon's recovery!

Thank you.

-Jason Licato