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As a housing provider in the State of Oregon for 20 years, I believe this bill, while good intentioned, will drive the cost of rent up for those it is intended to protect. We have seen the effects additional rules and regulations has had by increasing overhead costs, administrative burden, and more has This bill will drive up rent cost through added administrative costs to housing providers, added time in units that should be available to all residents, and cause an increase the likelihood for unrecoverable rent owed that inevitably gets passed on to the consumer. Not a good plan.

During the pandemic we saw housing providers small and large bear the burden of no income or reduced income as a result of protections for renters. That was the right thing to do at the time, even though the State was slow to disperse money appropriately and many housing providers had to shutter similar to other businesses, but permanently placing pandemic-like protections is not the solution. Find a solution that works permanently and does not cause housing providers to bank-roll the state's inability to be creative and problem-solve.

I implore you tp create a truly long-lasting resolution for all Oregonians, and this short-sighted attempt is not the answer.