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This appears to be another landlord punishment bill. We small landlords and large investor owned properties provide housing for the poorer half of the state's population, more or less. The more you make our lives difficult, the more rent increases will be needed to compensate for lost rent due to deadbeat tenants, violent tenants who drive neighboring families out of their units, and increased lawyer bills we'll need to work within increasingly complex regulations. And with only a 3% increase we will be much less likely to install air conditioning in our units, improve the grounds, or bring our units up to market rates (which restricts housing availability.) Sorry, but, basically, this bill will end up making housing in Oregon LESS affordable and less available.