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I live in a floating home on the Multnomah Channel. I own my home, I rent a space on the water. I now pay \$608.70 a month rent, which includes water, garbage and maintenance on the moorage, up 11.6% from last year. Last years increase was 9.9% paying \$547.45/month. 2021's rent was \$498 per month. When I first moved in 12 years ago I was paying around \$375/month. I am retired and live on a fixed income. Funny thing...there are residents who own their homes in this moorage who pay less percentage than me and a few others...apparently it's legal for the moorage owners to charge different amounts. There is an 8 unit apartment (owned by the landlord). I know that at least one apartment renter pays \$400 a month to live on the water in living quarters with a roof over their head and I pay \$600 for providing my own roof. Does this discrepancy make sense to you? I am grateful to be living on the water and enjoy the wildlife and scenery...I feel insulted with these increases. Even with the new proposed 8% increase, it's still exorbitant. Please help!!!