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In my two decades of living in Portland, OR and working for New Seasons Market... I have received three no-cause evictions due to landlords simply deciding on cashing out or deciding to do a condo conversion. As a working class Portland resident, this represents a huge degree of instability that has created a personal hardship for me on more than one occasion. We need stronger tenant protections for no-cause evictions, and reasonable rent increases for working people. Our housing crisis hasn't improved since the pandemic. Why is it that so many people I know who work full time are left housing insecure, even living in their cars? We need to provide reasonable accommodation to renters in exchange for their huge inconvenience. Less Portlanders living in their cars please!