OPPOSE HB 3054-2



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- <u>Restricts</u> annual rent increases in manufactured home and floating home facilities with more than 30 spaces/slips to a flat 6% with no tie to CPI.
- <u>Exposes</u> Oregon property owners to high inflation as the law no longer ties rent increases to inflation. In 2021, the CPI (per the US Bur. of Labor Statistics) was 7%.
- **<u>Divides</u>** Oregon facility owners from multi-family owners.
- <u>Arbitrarily</u> applies one rule to facilities with 30 spaces/slips or more and another rule to facilities with fewer than 30 spaces/slips.
- **Fails** to distinguish spaces from "occupied" spaces. This will <u>confuse</u> smaller owner/operators (over 30 spaces, but fewer than 30 occupied) and expose them to liability when their margins are already tight.
- <u>Creates a Convoluted Process</u> for facilities with fewer than 30 spaces/slips to raise rent (by 2% more than the law otherwise allows) that will likely <u>never</u> be used;
- <u>Contradicts</u> other laws that allow facilities to require improvements to the space at the beginning of a tenancy; and
- **<u>Prohibits</u>** property owners from requiring homes in their community to be safe, exposing others to the risk of disaster.

When will it stop?

- 2019 Statewide rent caps at 7% plus CPI with no cap. Rent Control Advocates claimed, "this is all we need."
- 2023 Statewide rent caps at 7% plus CPI with a 10% cap. Rent Control Advocates promised, "inflation is too high, this is all we need."
- January, 2025 HB 3054 proposed rent caps at CPI only. Rent Control Advocates admitted, "this is really what we want."
- April, 2025, HB 3054-2 reduces to a flat 6% (for 30+ space communities).
- **2027 4%**?
- **2029 2%**?
- 2031-0%?

The above trend virtually guarantees <u>all</u> facility owners will raise rent annually by the maximum amount to respond to future regulation.

- Prior to statewide rent control (2019 when facility owners could raise rents once every 90 days with no limit), rents increased on average **3% per year**.
- After 2019 (after rent caps were enacted), it jumped to 5.39%
- Based on the history above, Facility owners will continue to raise rents to respond to future legislative action.
- HB 3054-2 tries to remove "aesthetic and cosmetic improvements" from what landlords can require of new homeowners, but instead removes "all improvements". This will inevitably result in litigation as there is a conflict in the statute.
- HB 3054-2 prohibits property owners from inspecting homes at start of tenancy. These inspections are **key to ensuring electrical systems are safe to avoid disaster**. These homes are often in communities with minimal setbacks that are very close together. One electrical fire could decimate an entire community.

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