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I am writing in support of HB 3054. I am 73 years old and own my own floating home and live at Rocky Point Marina just north of NW Portland on the Multnomah channel. I have been here 13 years. In the last 5 years my rent has gone from \$539 a month to \$960. I am on a fixed income. Every year my taxes go up and my floating home insurance increases. This 10% increase each year is killing my budget. The owners of the Marina have actually told us that they will increase the rent 10% annually because they can and if we don't like it we should move. However that is not possible because there aren't any slips available and the cost of moving could go as high as \$25,000. This year alone the accumulated increase for the whole marina came to over \$160,000. I have asked the employees if they saw an increase in their wages and they didn't even get a 3% COL. We did not see any improvements to the facilities. These annual 10% increases will eventually result in more homelessness.