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On Behalf Of:

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My name is Amy and I live in Portland.

I am writing today in support of HB2967. I will keep this short but sweet. You have no doubt heard from many landlords complaining bitterly about this bill. It goes without saying that there is no morally defensive reason why landlords and property management companies should be able to collect a bunch of application fees on a single residence. (It's basically an easy money making scheme for them, as there is really no limit to the number of applications they can potentially accept for a single living space... and collect a bunch of money in bad faith that will never be returned.) money that could be used by desperate poor people for other things. In order to find suitable housing, most people have to apply for multiple openings and pray that they get even one. The housing situation in Portland is dire, and so many people are unhoused, with all of the social consequences that comes with that. There is literally no reason for landlords to be profiting off of other people's misery and desperation. Thank you for your time.