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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Housing and Homelessness

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2305

Dear House Committee Members,

There are two commonly held myths about residential income property: One, that being a rental property owner means you're affluent, and two, that rental income is easy money. My experience is the exact opposite on both counts. And repercussions from climate change are exacerbating the challenges further.

In the last few years, working with difficult tenants has gotten even more difficult because of the newer, tenant-favoring laws in Oregon. As a small time owner of only three dwellings on one property, I've been left "holding the bag" by tenants, too many times in too many ways. The laws as they are currently, discourage me from wanting to continue.

To keep much-needed, long-term rentals available to renters, I urge you to support HB2305. Thank you.