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Oregon State Legislature
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Re: Oregon HB 2305

Dear Chairperson Marsh and Members of the Committee,

My name is Vicki Carter, and I am writing as a concerned citizen of Klamath County to state my support for Bill 2305.

My support for HB 2305 is based on an experience I had with a neighbor within the past year. Our street is made up primarily of homeowners and long-term renters. We all care for the well-being of our neighborhood and street, get along well with each other, and do not have any problems.

A new renter was moved in at the end of our street last year and that is when our problems started. At the beginning, everything went well. We would wave to each other while passing, and my neighbor or I would even shovel her driveway and sidewalks after it snowed.

About six months after she moved in, her behavior became more erratic. The amount of traffic in and out of her home increased substantially. At the peak of the issues we were having with this neighbor, she even allowed a broken-down motor home to be parked in front of her house, which people were living in.

Many of us contacted her landlord and they stated that they were taking care of the issues. The issues we were having would resolve for a few weeks at a time and then things would get increasingly worse. Her landlord sent multiple notices and attempted to fix the issue, but their hands seemed to be tied.

This situation caused us months of grief, to the point where I didn't feel comfortable playing outside with my grandchildren due to the heavy foot traffic down our street to her home.

After months, they were finally able to evict her from the property, but not without many visits from the police, debris strewn across her yard and property, and much emotional trauma to our little community.

I am urging you to consider approving HB 2305 to give landlords the ability to make neighborhoods safe, clean, and healthy environments for their tenants and others.

Thank you for your time.

Vicki Carter