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The State of Oregon can choose to end homelessness forever, and Senate Bill 722 can be a step towards that end. Housing is a fundamental human right. Every human being deserves dignified and dependable housing. Landlords do not provide housing. Landlords help create the necessity for people to pay for housing. Landlords help to turn a human right into a commodity by charging rent for housing. Landlords create barriers to housing by making people pay to access their fundamental human rights. Instead of theft, this gets called "rent." Landlords are now using software to further the artificial inflation of their thefts/rents they extract from people who need housing. SB 722 prevents landlords from using that software as a shield and scapegoat for their greed. Stop providing the disinterest, protection, and encouragement of the law to landlords, their greed, and their theft. Instead, support SB 722, which will help take away one of the tools landlords use to coerce more money from people. Thank you.