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I am writing in opposition of this measure. This measure if passed would only create more hardships for the citizens of Oregon or those looking to move and live here. There are many places, many homes here in Oregon that are already out of reach for most due to just the cost of the home itself. And many of those homes also have large property taxes attached that can move your mortgage from \$200 all the way to \$500 or more a month. If this were to pass those who are just able to afford their home now, may not be able to do so in a few years. You also have seniors who live on very small fixed incomes, such as my own elderly parents. What happens to these people when their property taxes go up, but their income does not? You will also continue to eliminate what tiny rental home market we have left because those owners will sell, most likely to bigger rental corporations, who will then rent the home for an even greater amount. This measure is a horrible idea. I really struggle to understand how those in our Oregon legislature claim to care about the citizens, the housing, and the elderly, and then entertain such horrible ideas and measures as this. This measure simply needs to end and go no further. Thank you.