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I live in a manufactured home park and 4 years ago, a corporation purchased the park. Since then, my rent has increased 80%. I was paying \$485.00 a month, four years ago. Now I pay, \$727.00 per month. For new people buying a home here, they are charging \$1297.00 plus \$80.00 for utilities. I expected to stay in my home for at least 15 years. I have payed for \$18,000 for improvements. Including new windows, doors, water system, heat pump, hot water tank, new porches and landscaping and new kitchen appliances. I pay over \$600.00 per year on taxes on the home. I rent a very small piece of land that the house sits on. But I won't be able to sell my home if I get priced out of it with escalating rent increases. My park is for those over 55. This is clearly senior abuse which is against the law in Oregon. There idea that Oregon should help us out with the escalating rent if we can not afford it is ridiculous. Their business plan is at fault, paying stockholders is their only consideration. My park alone generates over a million dollars a year in income. They offered more to the previous owners than the asking price, planning to squeeze us for the payment. They are not spending any money on improvements. We can't even get a dangerous broken, uneven sidewalk repaired. Any other business with such a poor business plan would simply fail. Don't reward them for incompetence and greed. Please vote yes to pass this bill.