

I am writing to urge you to support HB3054A and stand with the thousands of manufactured homeowners like myself who are facing increasingly precarious living conditions.

I would like to specifically address the troubling proposal to allow landlords to inspect the interiors of our homes. Would you accept your mortgage lender having the authority to enter your home or decide who is allowed to purchase it? Of course not—it would be an unacceptable invasion of privacy.

Granting landlords this kind of access and control sets a dangerous precedent. It opens the door for them to prevent us from selling our homes—particularly when rising rents force us to leave—simply so they can take possession themselves.

Landlords cannot inspect inside our walls to judge wiring or fire safety, and proximity alone is not a valid justification for this intrusion. Site-built homes in many neighborhoods are just as close together—if not closer—than manufactured homes. Yet no one argues that traditional homeowners should forfeit their right to privacy. In fact, fires in manufactured home parks are rarely caused by neighboring units; in Southern Oregon, the most devastating fires were caused by wildfires, not by unsafe conditions within manufactured home parks.

Please do not impose laws on manufactured homeowners that would never be considered for traditional homeowners.

I also urge you to reject the narrative being pushed by wealthy corporate lobbyists. Their rhetoric reduces manufactured homeowners to mere extensions of the landowner's property. We are homeowners, taxpayers, and contributing members of our communities. We deserve the same rights and protections afforded to all property owners.

Manufactured homeowners are counting on HB3054A to pass and assure we continue to have a roof over our heads.

Please support HB3054A.

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