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Chair Keny-Guyer & Members of the Human Services And Housing committee

Please support the Tenant Protection Act 4001

My current apartment complex has recently ( 1/11/2016 ) been notified that all tenant rental agreements have been terminated. I have lived here for almost 2 ½ years and am supposed to vacate by 3/14/16.

I am 69 years old, and have mental health issues. In my area - Grants Pass, OR, there are few moderately priced rentals, and few commercial storage units for temporary deposit of household goods.

Surely it is unfair to kick out tenants doing nothing wrong, ESPECIALLY in the dead of winter, just for the convenience of the current or prospective owner.

This is the second time I have received such a notice. In my previous apartment I was "terminated" after 10 years, because I protested the landlady having her handyman re-wire the fuse box from 110 to 220 & then pull the new wiring through the length of the apartment to a new mini - heat pump. Not only a bad idea, but illegal according to Josephine County Code!

Although I do have some savings, and good credit, finding a new residence is expensive, and I do not have a car for transportation, a computer of my own to help me search, or a cell phone if I use the library computers. In addition, I have a bad back and bad knees making an upstairs unit untenable.

**THIS IS HOW PEOPLE BECOME HOMELESS!!**

Sincerely,

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