

With respect to the members of the legislature here is my testimony as to why my husband and I object to this bill being passed.

We have owned rentals in Salem, Jefferson, & Sublimity over the past 34 years. We have always followed the laws regarding renting our homes to good tenants. However in, some tenants did not follow the laws regarding their tenancy. Please read the following as examples of why we had to evict tenants:

- . drugs being sold out of the unit (with a young child present)
- . drugs used/sold out of the unit; 40 FULL black trash bags stashed behind the house under the large fir trees
- . non payment of rent
- . rent continuously late; carport turned into a room with furniture
- . two others, not on rental agreement, occupying unit; damaging heater making it inoperable; closing off bedrooms (not heat going into) then using space heaters

Thank you for using your time to read my testimony. Had we not been able to use "no cause" and allowed to remove these tenants, we would have lost more time and money other than what had to be done to make the units livable again. The last time it cost \$7,000.

Thank you again. I hope you will seriously consider we "small property owners." Otherwise it will force most of us to sell out. Then where will the tenants live?

Sincerely,

Harold and Marianne Lyons