

Hello.

I'm in support of HB 2004. I'm a homeowner of moderate wealth. Why should I support this bill? Because the rapidly rising rents in the Portland Metropolitan area have precipitated a housing crisis of unforeseen consequences, and the desire to have people in safe and secure housing should be a fundamental provision of any reasonable society. Right now, there are limited protections for people - the cost of relocation is high, and the ability to evict people is far too strong.

In addition, the time to build new housing is far too long to address our current crisis.

The remedies in these bills are reasonable - less by far than many places - and will prevent only the suffering of a small group of families.

With warm regards,

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