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I attended the Committee hearing last evening, but did not speak. I would appreciate if you would include my statement, below.

Thank you.

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My name is Jim Rothstein and I support HB 2004.

Last fall, my landlord -- in a owner-occupied residence -- in Hillsboro, Ore gave me a 30-day, "no-cause" eviction notice. I had been there only 1 month! I am now in Eugene with my belongings in my car and with temporary, unstable housing.

In Hillsboro, I contested the eviction and "won." The landlord had to pay the lawyers, court and was, of course, furious. At my request, both my lawyer and his lawyer got him to agree to cease harassing me, which he promptly forgot. I called the Hillsboro police several times.

"No cause" is too easy for landlord to abuse and use arbitrarily. Landlords have a reason, in my case he had no legal reason.

Please pass HB 2004. Thank you.

Jim Rothstein

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