

Good Afternoon,

I'm emailing today to urge you to support HB 2004. I am a renter in Portland and my rent has gone up \$300 since I moved in. My boyfriend and I always get nervous when we have mail from our property management company.. will we have to move out? What will the rent be next month? We are trying to save for a down payment to purchase our own home so we don't have to live with the worry of our rent increasing every 3 months but as our rent increases our ability to save for our down payment becomes less of a reality and more of our budget is being spent on keeping ourselves housed versus planning for our future.

Additionally I work in Early Intervention doing home visits for children with special needs and their families. I see how unstable housing leads to stress and negative outcomes for kids and families. I have families who text me if I can get them an additional food box because this month their rent went up and their \$200 food stamps are all used up and if they buy food for their child's dinner tonight they won't make the rent tomorrow they'll get evicted. Housing is a basic human need. Please think about the majority of your constituents who are paying attention and are calling for an end to no cause evictions and rent stabilization.

Thank you for your time,

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Sent from my iPhone