

Hello,

My name is Adam Esperenza and I am writing in support of HB 2004 which will strengthen protections for renters in Oregon and level the playing field. I noticed my landlord testified before you the other day and let me say he gave false testimony and told you that he treats his tenants right and only uses no-cause to evict bad tenants.

When my neighbor in our triplex asked for repairs for a final time after months of requests our landlord told her if she didn't like the unit which had leaking plumbing causing black mold then she could get out. A week later she received a no-cause eviction and while that may legally be retaliation under Oregon law the fact is these cases almost always are in favor of the landlord who can afford good lawyers and have learned how to win cases even when they are at fault.

We are having a housing crisis in this state and no-cause evictions are a unfair tool against tenants that need to be prohibited and other states and even other cities in other countries already prohibit no-cause evictions.

Do the right thing and do not allow that Multifamily Northwest and RHA lobbyist money I know so many of you receive to influence your decision.