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Dear Senators,

These are my private property rights. This House Bill is an outright abuse of power. It does not significantly resolve any of Oregon's housing issues and is simply a knee jerk reaction to appease headlines with its unintended consequences soon to follow. Supply and demand is the issue. Metro wont expand the urban growth boundaries and yet buys up land in the area, LCDC denied property owners their rights with measure 37 then measure 49 and many local cities charge nearly \$50,000.00 for a single family residence before a shovel even hits the dirt. Who's the problem here? There is no restraint on property tax assessments and Portland's water and sewer rates continue upwards with no end in sight. It's no wonder why our state is facing housing affordability issues. Taking away rights of those who provide housing is not a solution.

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