Hello. My husband and I have two rental houses. They are a key part of our retirement strategy. We believe that we are fair and decent people who are trying our best to be good citizens and take responsibility for ourselves. Upon reviewing HB 2004-A we feel like we are being punished and treated as criminals. It is very insulting.

It appears that the State of Oregon is trying to force individuals from owning rental property. We are not rich and cannot afford to lose money on our investments. We need to be able to regain control of our property when needed. After all it is our property and it is up to us alone to protect it and care for it.

We are not interested in jacking up rents. We like long term renters, especially those who appreciate living in a nice house for a reasonable rent. but unfortunately not everyone feels that way and have only once in 20 years had to give notice without cause. We did so only because we felt that our investment was in jeopardy.

We urge you all to take a close look at this bill and to consider the folks like us and how it will effect us. If it becomes too difficult to be a landlord we will sell our properties, taking 2 houses out of the rental pool.

Thank you very much for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

Robin and David Spring

Bend, Oregon