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To whom it may concern,

I continue to have grave doubts about Rent Control. There is literally no economist out there that thinks it works as this bill implies it should. If is a shortsighted attempt to fix a problem that will likely work out over time. It was not that long ago that it was a renters market, for example. This bill is outrageous, wrong and tilted against the "greedy landlords" by uncaring people who don't understand.

It is the landlords who shelter renters and keep their homes warm, plumbed and safe; there are huge penalties if we do not. It is landlords who pay property taxes, transit taxes and all up keep on the property (no small expense for these items). Landlords risk huge required down payments and in today's market are often carrying huge mortgages. With the price of property it is hard to buy a property and pay your mortgage. In fact, nearly impossible without rent increases. Landlords should be appreciated. Most in Oregon are mom and Pop who own only small numbers of units. Most do not gouge their tenants, nor evict them on a whim or to double rents. That is the exception. Fix the exception. It would fix many problems while not sacrificing the many good landlords.

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Does anyone not remember, just a few years back when vacancies were high and times were bad??? Landlords had no help coming from the city. Many in fact, lost their properties!! Now that the tables are turned, the city has some weird kind of amnesia? It's woe to greedy evil landlords. Unfair x 2!

No one is putting controls on the price of groceries, and what is more basic than food?

In many homes health insurance is more than rent. How about fixing that?

Prescription meds; people die if they don't have and die if they can't afford. How about fixing that??

Maybe if you are going to go after someone consider just the big landlords, like 100s of unit owners. Or out of state ones?

Like so much of Oregon workers and businesses it is the small businesses that lift us all.

Please do not pass

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