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Subject: Please Support HB 2004

I am a Reed College student who is about to move off campus and become a renter for the first time. My landlord is planning to take advantage of the change in residents over the summer to hike rents by up to 10% (they haven't confirmed the final rent price yet). I will still be able to afford the higher rent, but I am lucky. Here in Portland we are facing a housing emergency. We need meaningful tenant protections and the ability to do something to control skyrocketing rents. Please pass HB 2004 out of this committee with the strongest possible language, the greatest reasonable reach in terms of landlords it covers (my landlord owns only a few properties - that doesn't make me any more able to pay high rent or afford relocation costs if I am evicted without cause than if my landlord owned 100 properties), and the fewest possible loopholes.

I rent, and I vote.

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