

We are pleading with you to hear our issues as Landlords of small properties in Oregon. My husband and I own several houses in the Salem area that are full time rentals. Now that tenants are hearing that we can't evict them, we may be without income.

It is our only source of income, as my husband just retired in July. We still have mortgages on the houses and without rental income, it will be a hardship to make our mortgage payments. In our opinion, tenants should have to prove need of waiver of paying their rent, since some tenants still have jobs where they are being paid. Landlords do not collect enough deposit to offset months of non payment of rent.

Without rental income, we won't have the money to do any maintenance or repairs. Contractors, especially plumbers, are very expensive and if a toilet or bath drain gets clogged, we will still be required to fix it. Also, if we don't fix maintenance problems, tenants could sue us for failure of maintenance.

Another concern is not being able to have a Court date if a tenant has bad behavior; especially for pending notices.

After SB 608, it has restricted terminating a tenant after the 1st year. If the loss of ability to go to Court lasts long enough, it will extend some of the tenancy past 1 year. Then we will be stuck with tenants who could be damaging the property and possibly committing criminal acts.

These are only a few of our concerns as Landlords. Please help us, the small business owner.

Thank you,
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