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Yes on LC 18 to help Oregon families

Co-Chairs President Courtney & Speaker Tina Kotek, Co-Vice Chairs Sen. Girod and Rep. Drazen, and members of the committee:

Thank you for your work to extend the eviction moratorium and provide \$200 in rental assistance to tenants and landlords. This would be a lifeline for me and my husband.

With the looming eviction moratorium, we are very worried about what will happen to us after the first of the year. COVID-19 wiped out my ability to earn a living. I was working a temp job in an office but people were not following safety protocols and wearing masks so I had to quit. I have a pre-existing condition and so does my husband. I simply cannot risk it. So now I'm paying the price for protecting myself and my loved ones. We have been able to pay the rent thanks to a GoFundMe campaign and by scrimping wherever we can. But that money will run out in February. What will we do then? I won't be eligible for Social Security for five more years. If we were to get evicted I have no idea what we will do or where we will go. It is absolutely terrifying.

Thank you and please pass this important bill.

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