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To Whom it May Concern:

I am writing to the Housing Committee regarding my concerns about Senate Bill 608.

The bill as it is currently written includes exemptions from rent caps and renter protections for units 15 years old and newer.

SB608 allows luxury developers to continue to drive the rise in rent. When rents go up at the top of the scale it forces more tenants to look for cheaper housing, creating demand that drives those rents up too.

I urge legislators to revise this bill and eliminate the '15 years and newer' exemption. The severity of the housing crisis in Oregon requires strong effective action by our elected representatives: Revision of SB608 to remove loopholes like the '15 years and newer' exemption is crucial to solving our state's housing emergency.

Thank-you

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