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To: HHS Exhibits

Subject: Help Oregon Pass Historic Tenant Protections - Support SB 608

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Dear Chair Keny-Guyer, Vice Chairs Noble and Sanchez, and Members of the Committee,

Dear Chair Keny-Guyer, Vice Chairs Noble and Sanchez, and Members of the Committee:

As a member of the Southern Oregon Tenant's Union and the Tenant Leadership Council of the Community Alliance of Tenants, I drove the 200 miles to be here in support of SB 608. In the many tenant meetings I've participated in I've heard dozens of stories from community members who have struggled in the last several years with 40% and higher rent increases and an abundance of no-cause evictions. Had SB 608 been law already, these community members wouldn't have faced houselessness, financial struggle, and anxiety for the future of their families. Passing this bill will have IMMEDIATE positive impacts for tenants across our state, but particularly in our more rural areas where the economy has made low-income folks more vulnerable. Please support this bill to ease the struggles of tenants like myself and others who need immediate relief from outrageous rent increases and no cause evictions in our state.

Thank you for your time! Sarah Spansail

Sincerely, Sarah Spansail 136 Church St Ashland, OR 97520