

Hello Representatives,

I was unable to submit for the first hearing so I would like to use my voice here--I will address the amendments. My name is Joshua Caraco I am a resident of Eugene and tenant advocate. I generally support HB2001, I believe there may still be work to get done but I appreciate the effort to make it better with these amendments. I was disappointed when my city council voted to oppose this bill without even instructing city staff to help make it better. Staff had particular complaints about the timeline for implementation and these amendments do work on that. My city refused to give input and I believe that was a mistake. While HB2001 does not on it's own solve our housing crisis it is part of a bigger picture and I know (having participated in the Housing Alliance's Housing Opportunity Day last week for one thing) that there is a lot more legislation being considered that would work in conjunction with this bill. With, among other things, the racialized history of exclusionary zoning, I urge you to support choice and freedom for people to build and live in more diverse housing types and neighborhoods. Thank you.

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