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SB1533 Committee Members,

I am writing to ask you to oppose SB1533. This bill is an irresponsible use of our tax money. Small Claims Court fees and FED's already fund The Oregon Law Center.

SB1533 will force rental owners like myself to re-evaluate properties; with a predictable end result of fewer 'good' rental homes available.

I understand compassion for people in need and I strive to work on amicable resolutions with my renters. However, recent legislation has hurt rental owners like myself who face unreasonable and destructive renters. I have experienced destructive renters who "work the system". This bill will encourage this behavior, while handicapping the rental owner who has to fight frivolous claims and incur huge legal fees in doing so. I believe the funding could be better spent in education of tenant responsibilities and expectations instead of subtly insinuating rental owners are a wealthy class of tyrants.

Do bills like this one encourage people to work, save and invest in their future OR to try to find new ways and new agencies to work at any angle that lets them off the hook?

Please remember that the very people you are thinking of additionally burdening to gain more tax revenue are the people who are and have worked long and hard to create a retirement that is not a burden to government resources. . Our taxes are funds entrusted to you and must be regarded with respect for those who pay them.

Please vote NO on SB1533.

Thank you,

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