

Hello,

I'm writing in support of House Bill 4213. I support this bill and at the same time, I'm also requesting that the legislature lengthens the grace period to at least six months. As someone who works with vulnerable communities (refugees) in Oregon, I am of the firm opinion that six months will allow my clients and service agencies/organizations a more realistic timeframe to find funds to help pay any overdue rent. Covid 19 has impacted our communities drastically. There is much anxiety and uncertainty about the future. I support a statewide grace period to help all fellow Oregonians, not just my refugee clients. People deserve compassion right now. Ultimately, a rent freeze is the most compassionate solution. I request that you propose a bill that includes a temporary rent freeze in the very near future.

Thank you for your time.

best regards

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