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Committee: Senate Committee On Housing and Development

Measure: SB799

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Monday, January 30, 2023

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I am aware that the demand for housing assistance and advocacy has in recent years skyrocketed. I also know a high percentage of those evicted become homeless and a large, over 50%, of Oregon renters do not have enough money for food, medicine and the basic necessities after the rent is paid. Seniors, who are on a fixed income, and most are since we no longer work full time or even part time, fall into this category.

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If you wish to contact me, I can be reached at 469-971-3128 or by email at texas48rose@gmail.com. Thank you for your consideration.

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