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I have been a landlord in Seaside Oregon where I have rented 17 residential apartment units since 1995. At all times I try to remain aware of my tenants needs and to make my housing affordable. In these times when plumbers charge \$150+ per hour, electricians charge as much, my carpenter charges \$75+ per hour; roofing materials and labor are increasing rapidly. If I want to keep my apartments habitable, I need to be able to raise my rents accordingly. If rents are capped at the proposed new rates, my tenants will suffer the consequences of poor housing. I want to treat my tenants with the respect they deserve and to provide them with the decent housing they deserve. Please do not prevent me from being the best landlord I can be.