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Hello, the proposed new rent controls will negatively affect my rental business. I have been a small scale landlord in Oregon for over 34 years. I have always been committed to providing good quality, reasonably priced housing. I am a good landlord and consistently use part of the proceeds from my rentals to maintain and refresh my units. The proposed changes will make maintaining my units much more difficult, if not impossible.

I believe the first round of rent control had a negative impact in that it forced all landlords to raise rents on a regular basis just to keep up. It changed how tenants can be evicted and actually provided more reason to evict underpaying or difficult/problem tenants.

Tighter controls are only going to lead to less maintenance and upkeep of existing tenancies. This leads to less comfort, safety and stability for the tenants, and ultimately an eviction when their home becomes uninhabitable.

Please reconsider these changes, rent control does not really benefit tenants.