

Submitter: Richard and Christa Fischer

On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Housing and Development

Measure: SB611

Chair Jama, Vice-Chair Anderson, Members of the Committee,

We are Christa and Rick Rischer. We are retired, living on a fixed income in Tonopah Village, Brookings, OR. We have been here since July, 2020. We are testifying in favor of SB 611 because the state legislature must roll back the rent increases to a more reasonable level, and protect more people from rent gouging.

Initially our rent was \$554.00 per month. It has increased to \$644.00. There's another 14.6% rent increase scheduled for April, 2023. The rent fit into our budget expecting periodic increases, not yearly. With allowed annual increases expected we don't know how long we will be able to afford the rent for the small space our modest manufactured home occupies.

We cannot move the house we bought and would have to abandon it, which is almost impossible to imagine. As a side note, our park owner (corporation) is located in Washington state. They do not even pay Oregon corporate taxes!? We are just a neighborhood full of regular folks who have to watch every dollar spent and saved, not a corporation measuring success based on thousands (millions) of dollars profit. Please vote yes on SB 611.

Thank you,
Richard and Christa Fischer