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My testimony is in support of HB 3054. I have been a homeowner in an over 55 community for the past 3 years, and my space rent has gone up 10% each year... which I find outrageous! I'm required to take care of my own home and the space that it occupies. I've spent money on a new roof, painting my home, removing overgrown shrubs... which is fine, I take pride in my home. However, if my rent continues to go up, I won't be able to enjoy my home much longer. Most of my neighbors live on fixed incomes and this annual increase is not sustainable. To add to our frustration, the water has been shut off several times in the past year, sometimes for more than a day, due to old water line issues. And the clubhouse remodel that was supposed to be over in a month has lasted well over three, and is still no where close to completion. All of the regular social events have been canceled, along with every holiday function this year... there are NO amenities left and yet the owner had no hesitation increasing our rent 10% again this year.

Something needs to be done to curtails the greed and force some compassion here. Please?

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