



House Committee on Housing and Homelessness
900 Court St NE
Salem, OR 97301

February 3rd, 2026

Chair Marsh, Vice-Chairs Andersen and Breese-Iverson, and Members of the Committee,

SETA is a non-profit, public service organization dedicated to renters' rights and interests. We provide free community resources, including our free Tenant Hotline, and we directly serve about 240 renter households every month through combinations of several programs.

SETA urges you to join us in support of HB 4108, which enables voluntary annexation of non-contiguous residential property.

We want to provide a real world example of how this bill would immediately support our community. In the City of Eugene, strong renter protections were passed in 2023, which has shown stability and lower displacement for especially low income tenants. However, in the Santa Clara neighborhood in Eugene, there are sections of the neighborhood that are within the urban growth boundary but not "within" the city limits. Neighbors who live right next to each other, having very different rights and protections for their homes because of an administrative barrier. These neighbors work and live within our city limits by all measures, excluding a planning department zoning map.

HB 4108 removes unnecessary statutory barriers without significant financial burden to the city or property owner, or removes local authority. This is a simple, common sense legislation that addresses outdated administration and supports a positive expedited process.

We urge you to join us in support of HB 4108.

If you'd like to connect with me, please reach out to
tmorris@springfielddeugenetenantassociation.com. Thank you for your consideration.



Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that appears to read "Tim".

Timothy Morris
Executive Director
Springfield Eugene Tenant Association