



February 5, 2026

To: House Committee on Housing and Homelessness

From: Peter Hainley, CASA of Oregon

Re: Support for HB 4123

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

My name is Peter Hainley. I am the executive director of CASA of Oregon. CASA has been working with local communities to create housing, facilities and asset building opportunities for 37 years.

HB 4123 ensures strong privacy protections. Applying for housing should not expose someone to discrimination, identity theft, or government surveillance. The protection of one's privacy ensures fairness.

Tenants deserve to feel safe in their homes and confident that their personal information will not be misused or disclosed without explicit consent. An incredible amount of personal information is collected when someone applies for a rental. This highly sensitive personal information includes financial records, income sources, employer information, Social Security numbers or ITINs, immigration or citizenship status, medical conditions, disability status, and other protected class information. Current Landlord Tenant Law does not protect tenants.

HB 4123 will ensure that Oregon's Landlord Tenant Law prohibits the disclosure of personally identifying, financially sensitive, and other private tenant information without written consent, except in response to a valid court order. This ensures a uniform standard that protects tenants from harm and gives landlords clear guidance on their rights and obligations.

While tenants are the primary beneficiaries, landlords will benefit from the clarity, consistency, and certainty this bill provides.

Please pass HB 4123 and ensure that all Oregonians have the privacy protections they deserve and can feel safe in their own homes.

Thank you for your service to the people of Oregon.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Peter Hainley".

Peter Hainley,
Executive Director