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Thank you for your attention to this critical matter. As we know Portland has already been dealing with the housing crises. By ensuring INCREASES in the amount residential landlords owe tenants (landlord caused termination of residency) folks will be able to transition into another home more readily. My disabled son and I were homeless for a period of time because the owner failed to pay the mortgage for several months. Renters were not aware of this breach of the lease and everyone was evicted by the bank. We had no where to go for help. My son and I were houseless for a period of time, we experienced much stress and worry. Owners need to be held accountable and preferably hold monies in an account (a type of an insurance) in the event something like this should happen to renters. I pray that my testimony will shed light on this and similar circumstances that the vulnerable experience.