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On Behalf Of: Hb3974
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Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB3974

Chair Marsh, Vice-Chair Anderson, Vice-Chair Breese-Iverson, and Members of the Committee:

My name is Joshua Massie. I have been a resident of Eugene Oregon for 20 years. My wife and I are home owners and also landlords of a small unit. As a renter in the past and currently a home owner I urge you to pass HB 3974, capping application fees at \$20. These fees place a significant burden on low-income renters, making it harder to secure stable housing, particularly for marginalized communities. As a result, many families remain in unstable living conditions.

With this cap, landlords can still check all essential criteria—credit, background, and rental history—with overcharging applicants. Passing this bill would not only reduce barriers to housing but also increase community safety by providing more people access to stable housing.

Thank you.