

Pegge Fields

Sincerely,

public service.

I strongly urge you to pass SB 611 as quickly as possible. Thank you for your consideration and your

destabilize too many lives.

women, minorities and other at-risk populations constitute an unfair price for unjust laws that dispropotionally high financial burden placed on the low or fixed income, young adult and seniors, there is no denying that the lack of affordable housing and the abrupt and

viable alternative?

expenses far beyond an affordable range. Once a retiree reaches that level of expense, is there any term their long-term residency. Two or three years of 10% annual increases in rent can take their long-retirement communities where limited or fixed income have to carefully plan their long-landlords who seek such high increases in rent annually should not be allowed to invest in senior

Way" to treat Senior Citizens?

increasingly becoming the "new norm" for retirees residing at the Eugene Hotel. Is that the "Oregon way" to treat senior citizens? Since November, a number of senior residents have moved out; within the past week 2/19/23), four more seniors announced their departure by the end of this month. The prospect of an unstable future is

one year in the future, we as a group, will have to look for more affordable housing elsewhere (if it per month, depending on the size of the apartment. The sudden increase in rent is generally viewed by residents, many of whom are on limited incomes, face an increase in rent from \$220 to \$330 per month, depending on the size of the apartment. That means that retired Eugene community) had increased the rent an average of 3% per year. That means that our rent would be increased 14% in 2023. Historically, the former owners (local citizens of the owners of our retirement community, the Eugene Hotel Retirement Center, notified its senior residents the reality of the affordable housing emergency grabbed my attention when the new out-of-state

plus CPI per year here in Oregon. which addresses the critical need for rental stability including limiting the amount of rent increase to 3% My name is Pegge Fields and I am senior retiree residing in Eugene. I strongly urge passage of SB 611,

Chair Jama, Vice Chair Anderson, Members of the Committee:

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