

Submitter: Washington County Ozuna

On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Housing and Homelessness

Measure: HB2001

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RE: In support of HB 2001

Chair Dexter, Vice-Chairs Gamba and Helfrich, and Members of the Committee,

My name is Beatriz Osuna and I have lived in Washington County for 21 years.

I am writing to you with all respect, and I write because I am very concerned about a problem that a large part of our community is suffering and is the Lack of Decent Housing and also for those who already have a Housing that we can keep in them.

In my community we are seeing the lack of more housing and especially housing according to the salary of each family and homes for low-income families, which are according to the size of the family, because many families sometimes there are enough members in the families and can only afford a small place or there are not enough large homes to cover this need, we all have the right to the most basic, which is to have the security that we have a stable housing.

This situation affects a large part of the community and more in these unstable times, where rental prices are so high. Therefore, supporting this proposal will prevent much of our community from moving to places where income is lower, but they have less access to other services. We have to fight to prevent this situation from continuing to grow and become a crisis, we ask for the intervention of legislators we have advanced by great strides, but there is still much to build but we will only achieve it by working all in a coordinated manner and hand in hand for that reason, we respectfully request your support for this Bill, that all this is to protect the right of each person to have and stay in a Housing, we are seeing people who are moving to Oregon and these people are in urgent need of Housing but at the same time the situation is complicated to those who are waiting for a Housing, there is more demand than supply and we need to legislate that rents remain stable, Since it affects us in some way that large companies are established, because those people work for companies that pay well, but we know that in our community we do not all have the opportunity to have those salaries, but we pay the rent at a high price like them, but with the disadvantage of salary. But this may change if more resources are approved for more housing. Thank you for your time and for letting me express this elementary need of every human being.

Thank you for hearing this important bill and for considering my testimony. I hope you will listen to people like me and vote yes on HB 2001.

Respectfully,

Beatriz Osuna