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I oppose this legislation. Oregon has made it increasingly difficult for landlords; creating complicated restrictions and putting significant financial burdens on many small landlords, and discouraging both small and large property owners from investing in housing here. As we look to revitalize our metropolitan areas post pandemic, we need to encourage partnership between renters and landlords and increase housing supply to stabilize rents and build strong communities. Please pause on passing this and consider the negative impacts this will have on our housing attractiveness. Instead consider alternatives such as creating stable, permanent rental assistance programs that are simple for a renter to access and apply for; and please find ways to increase housing supply through incentives for people to build, own, and choose to rent vs sell their properties.