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On Behalf Of: Self
Committee: Senate Committee On Housing and Development
Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB4123
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I am asking you to vote YES on HB 4123A which will support Landlord Confidentiality and Tenant Privacy of Information. When people apply for housing and while renting ,significant amounts of personal information is given. This could include information regarding financial, social security, immigration status, information regarding being a victim of domestic or sexual violence, disability status, driver license and more. This information, if shared publicly, can put people at risk for identity theft, fraud, and other harm. The legislature has created consumer privacy protections in many other areas. Currently, Oregon landlord-tenant law does not clearly protect the private information that landlords collect from tenants. HB4123A will clarify and correct that. The bill clearly explains what kinds of information must be kept confidential. It ensures that affordable housing providers required to share information with their funders would be exempt from any contradictory requirements .Privacy in housing is especially important. Tenants need to know and be assured their private information is secure.

Thank you.

Respectfully,

Lynn Cole