

Date: Wednesday, March 3 2020

To: Chair Jama, Vice-Chair Linthicum, and members of the committee

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Re: Support of SB 282 by Eddie Passadore, Passadore Properties

Chairs and Members of the Committee,

My name is Eddie Passadore. I am a single father of 2. I own a property management company managing over 200 units in the Portland Metro area and, although I am not representing them in this testimony, I also serve on the board of Oregon's Fair Housing Council. I live in Washington County.

I am here to ask that you support Tenant COVID Protections, extending the repayment grace period for past due rent to February 2022.

Using my 25 years of industry experience, it is my belief, landlords would be better off waiting for money to come in, either from public funding like the Landlord Compensation Fund or from our tenants after they return back to work, rather than choosing to evict our customers whom have accrued big debts, at no fault of their own, that we are unlikely to recover after costly eviction proceedings.

I know you have heard from other landlords that have a different point of view, the same landlords that opposed LC18, only to rush to apply to receive personal benefit of the \$200M from the Landlord Compensation Fund which will bring their properties into a position of greater financial security. Landlords who don't support SB 282, position themselves to both destroy their tenant/customer relationships, and perpetuate the lie that so greatly hurts our industry, that "all landlords are evil."

In a time like this when we have all faced an enemy larger than ourselves - this pandemic - we must come together and help each other through. Whether you know them or not, all of us depend on our tenants, whom many of which are front line workers. These workers are now depending on you to offer them a lifeline.

SB282 is a necessary and time-limited solution to the instability renters are facing. Please, vote yes, on SB282.

Thank you for your time.


Eddie Passadore