

To whom it may concern,

Thank you for taking the time to read this.

Why are they not going after regulating health insurance? It seems our officials are picking low hanging fruit, landlords and having closed door sessions to pass major legislative change. It is easy for you to pass legislation against landlords. We do not have the political clout that big insurance has.

The reason we have wage stagnation in Oregon / USA is because health insurance goes up appx10% a year. How can employers give raises if the cost of an employee is so high? Health care is the issue, not housing. It makes me so mad. You politicians choose to pick on citizens not corporations. Easy low hanging fruit to pass rent control bill, too much work to take on big insurance. How disappointing as a citizen, and a self employed citizen at that.

Rentals support the local economy. Last year I spent over 40k on my rentals combined. All that 40k went directly back into Portland Business hands. If people reinvest in stocks and bonds, and have no incentive to buy rentals, all that money leaves our little city's pool. Residential rentals bring money to our people and our city. Insurance does not. Also, why can you impose rent control, but no tax control? Raises for government employees, but landlords can't raise the rent? I think I would be more comfortable with rent control, if we also had tax control and health insurance cost control, but this is too tall an order for our bureaucrats who are taking the easy road to getting votes, and a nice salary, that I'm sure increases annually if not bi annually.

Residential rentals need to be able to increase rents, and also vacate for larger repairs. I hope you can see how much these rentals support our economy locally and bring money back to real human beings, and not corporations.

Thank you,

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