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## OREGON RENT IS OUT OF CONTROL

Today, rents are rising at record rates throughout the state, meaning that more Oregonians are losing their homes and fewer and fewer can find an affordable place to live. Limitless rent increases push families' budgets past the breaking point, forcing them to choose between paying their rent or buying essentials like food and medicine. Families of color are more vulnerable to rising rents because of income disparities. There are few units available for rent, and even fewer units that are affordable. When a unit is available for rent, demand is so high that securing one can take months. Oregon's housing crisis means **families have little stability and entire communities are being displaced.**

### RESTORE LOCAL CONTROL. LIFT THE BAN ON LOCAL RENT STABILIZATION POLICIES.

#### RENT STABILIZATION WILL HELP:

- ➔ Rent stabilization protects tenants from huge rent hikes while landlords get a fair rate of return by setting reasonable and gradual rate increases.
- ➔ Local governments set their own rent stabilization policies to meet the needs of their own communities.
- ➔ Rent stabilization in Oregon can address a wide range of concerns and the policy can be tailored to meet the needs of local communities. The policies can ensure that new development continues to be incentivized and that our communities continue to be good places to rent homes.
- ➔ Rent stabilization policies both protect tenants and include provisions that make the system fair for landlords. For example, rent stabilization ordinances could allow individual landlords to:
  - ✓ raise the rent periodically, in reasonable amounts;
  - ✓ appeal the limit on rent increases if they can't make a fair return on investments.

WE NEED LEGISLATORS TO STAND UP FOR A  
COMMON SENSE RENT STABILIZATION POLICY  
THAT IS **FAIR FOR ALL** AND HELPS FAMILIES  
**SECURE THEIR HOMES** SO THEY CAN **SECURE**  
**THEIR FUTURE.**



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