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House Democrats Pass Legislation to Extend Eviction Protections for Businesses

HB 2966 extends the grace period to repay back rent, as businesses recover from the COVID-19 pandemic

SALEM, OR— Today, the Oregon House voted to protect small businesses from evictions by extending the timeline for the repayment of back rent for non-residential spaces.

The bill aims to support small businesses most affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. HB 2966 will extend the previous deadline of March 31 to September 30, 2021.

“Oregon’s small businesses, bars, and restaurants are a big part of what makes our state so special,” said [Rep. Rob Nosse \(D- Southeast Portland\)](#). “To have our eviction moratorium end before state and federal relief can be distributed to these businesses doesn’t make sense. As our state begins to move out of the pandemic and back towards normal living, we need to give these businesses the time they need to recover.”

HB 2966 passed 44 to 10 and moves now to the Senate for consideration.

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