

Members of the Committee,

I wish to place on the record my strong objection to the bill before your committee which would cause a monetary hardship and penalty for property owners who rent to tenants. Further, I believe that to do so would also result in less new units being built therefore only worsening the existing housing problem and causing rents to ultimately go even higher. Preventing a property owner from reasonably gaining possession of his/her rental unit or in requiring an owner to pay for relocation costs (that could easily run into thousands of dollars) are punitive measures that will unduly and unfairly hurt many small investors and will only exacerbate rather than resolve the affordable housing problem.

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