

Joint Committee Members –

The effects of the coronavirus outbreak is devastating our economy. I understand you are considering some kind of disaster relief for tenants who may not be able to pay their rent during this time by possibly living rent free? If this is the case, I sincerely hope you are also going to put into effect the same kind of relief for the landlords who have to pay mortgages on those rental units.

I am retired and depend on the few rental houses I own as my retirement income to pay for my living expenses plus the mortgages, property taxes, repairs, and upkeep on those very houses. I have worked hard all my life to pay my way and help the community.

If rents are suddenly stopped, then the mortgages would not be paid either, foreclosure would force the tenants out onto the streets creating a bigger housing shortage than we already have by throwing both tenants and landlords under the bus in ruining our credit histories and housing situations we have spent a lifetime in building up.

Don't throw the baby out with the bath water! Landlords need mortgage payment protection just as much as tenants need help, don't leave us out in the cold, landlords are people too.

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