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I am **opposed** to SB 595 because:

1. ... it breaks the Legislature's promise to the hotel industry, which negotiated a statewide lodging tax in good faith based on reinvestment of local room taxes in destination marketing. Under SB 595, the hotel industry would be penalized for the impact of vacation rentals, which are direct competitors to hotels, for vacation rentals' impact on housing affordability.
2. While housing is a big issue throughout the state, and in particular along the coast, we believe SB 595 places an unfair penalty on hotels and burdens one industry with trying to fund a broad systemic challenge.

As a small business owner who is dependent on recreation users for our lively-hood, we need to find anyway to address the underlying issue.

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