

Submitter: Linda Lavelle

On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Housing and Development

Measure: SB611

My name is Linda Lavelle. I have been a landlord for 35 years and I am asking you to please vote NO on SB 611. This rental control bill will not fix the problem and doesn't address the real problem of housing instability. We need to focus on permanent solutions which comes down to increasing supply and if needed permanent rental assistance. Policies need to focus on available land, cost of construction, reduction in permit costs, construction supplies etc. This bill is not sound and will not provide an avenue to increase supply. This bill will disincentivize new development and ownership of rental units. As a small landlord this is not helping me to provide the service I want to provide for my tenants. It will only increase the cost of doing business significantly. Increasing my costs will postpone me from doing capital improvements etc. I know people who have sold their rental units due to these types of bills which in turns reduces the rental supply. My utilities, insurance, cost of maintenance, payroll, capital improvements have increased substantially which is one reason rents are increasing. My attorney bills have gone through the roof as I feel I need to run almost everything through my attorney. This is expensive. Again I am asking you to vote NO to SB 611

Thank you,

Linda Lavelle