

As Lori A. Ranallo, a resident of West Warwick, I stand in strong support of the Just Cause Eviction 2025 Bill -- H 5503.

This bill is not merely legislation; it's a crucial step towards recognizing housing as a fundamental human right. Just-cause eviction protections are essential as they safeguard tenants from arbitrary evictions driven by retaliation, discrimination, or exploitative rent increases beyond the non-payment of rent. The absence of such protections only exacerbates the already critical issues of homelessness and the unaffordable housing crisis plaguing Rhode Island.

By enacting this bill, we can provide tenants with a vital sense of security, shielding them from the immense distress and instability that unwarranted evictions inflict, particularly on families with children.