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Chairman Robert Craven  
House Judiciary Committee  
Rhode Island State House  
82 Smith Street  
Providence, RI 02903

RE: House Bill 5503

Dear Chairman Craven,

Narragansett 2100 opposes H 5503, which expands the definition of just cause evictions. It also unduly limits the ability of a landlord's ability to keep pace with inflationary pressure by placing a cap on rental increases when the reason for the eviction is a failure to pay rent when due.

It should be noted that the bill grants a cause of action to tenants that among other things allows for a permanent stay eviction. The requirements of the bill places unreasonable burdens on landlords which impacts their investment backed expectations.

This bill is not intended to help landlords, in fact, it impedes their ability to operate their properties.

Narragansett 2100 respectfully urges this committee to oppose House Bill 5503.

Very truly yours

/s/ Marc A. DeSisto

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