

Roberta DiMezza

From: Nancy DeSocio <user@votervoice.net>
Sent: Sunday, March 16, 2025 3:02 PM
To: House Judiciary Committee
Subject: SUPPORT H5721

Dear Committee Clerk DiMezza,

I am writing in support of H5721. We are nearly compliant with lead laws (only 2 units left), but the wait time for inspections has been months. 2 years from now, we're going to have to go through the same process with long wait times. Thank you for considering my request.

I support H5721 because I believe it recognizes that many housing providers have complied with the lead paint mitigation laws but have been unable to obtain a lead paint certificate renewal due to the limited number of inspectors available compared to the sudden high demand created by recent law changes.

A landlord who has complied with the lead paint law but was unable to schedule an inspection, let alone get a certificate, should be allowed the opportunity to certify compliance and avoid fines of not having a certificate while still being in compliance, simply due to an inadequate number of inspectors.

Please support this safe harbor provision for landlords who certify compliance with the lead law, but couldn't get a certificate by the deadline through no fault of their own, and vote to advance this bill.

Sincerely,

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