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From: Richard Cohn <user@votervoice.net>
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To: House Judiciary Committee
Subject: SUPPORT H5917, H5918, & H5906 Lead Reform

Dear Committee Clerk DiMezza,

We need to find a balance with the new lead & rental registry law. The broad approach is overwhelming an already strained system—Rhode Island simply isn't equipped to handle it. Increased demand without enough workers, plus inflation and the housing crisis, makes this a long-term problem. This law will add millions in costs to the rental market, which will likely get passed to tenants. We should focus on protecting kids under 6 and address the rest when the time is right. Keeping housing affordable and available, especially for fixed-income seniors not at risk of lead exposure, is crucial. Thanks for considering these thoughtful legislative changes.

Sincerely,

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