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**To:** House Judiciary Committee  
**Subject:** SUPPORT 5919 -TRESPASS AND VANDALISM -- RESIDENTIAL LANDLORD TENANT ACT

Dear Committee Clerk DiMezza,

Please consider passing these laws. Squatters are criminals and by definition...thieves! We need balanced laws and support in order to maintain a healthy living environment for good people. It seems like the bad guys have more protection than hard working citizens these days. I hope you can understand the fear of dealing with squatting and the inability to get rid of them quickly. Please consider passing.

Thank you,  
Bianca

This piece of legislation closes a loophole in the law which allows criminal trespasser the protection and rights of tenants. A squatter is someone who takes up possession of a property illegally and without the consent of the owner. This clearly can put not only the owner at risk of physical or financial danger, but also the neighboring tenants who are forced to live with an unsavory character who would do such a thing. This squatter may pose a safety risk to other in the building or at the very least provides for an undue uncomfortable living arrangement. Under this law landlords would no longer be forced to treat a trespasser as a tenant.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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