Roberta DiMezza

From: Mary Ulrich Budlong <user@votervoice.net>

Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2025 11:44 PM

To: House Judiciary Committee

Subject: Oppose 5920, SUPPORT 5504 ESA

Follow Up Flag: Follow up Flag Status: Follow up

Dear Committee Clerk DiMezza,

I oppose the proposals made to ESAs in H5920 as they are vague and could be abused. Additionally, adding "housing status" as a protected class, creates undue liability for property owners simply seeking to assess applicants through a proper background check in order to protect the well-being of neighboring tenants and protect their investment. I support H5504 as it seek to protect those who truly need Emotional support animals and deters fraud and abuse. Additionally it creates a system in line with longstanding federal standards that would provide an expectation and guidelines to both renters and landlords to follow. This seems like fair and balance legislation. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Mary Ulrich Budlong 107 Amesbury Cir Middletown, RI 02842 mub62@verizon.net