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Dear Committee Clerk DiMezza,

Please do not pass H 7655.

Tenants should not automatically be allowed to make alterations to property without owner oversight and consent. Tenants could damage the property by using the wrong materials or doing work in an incorrect manner.

Having tenants touch any type of heating equipment by allowing them to add insulation around hot water heating tanks is particularly concerning and could cause a hazardous condition.

Please do not pass H 7655.

Respectfully submitted.

I am against House Bill 7655, which would let tenants make changes to their rental homes for energy saving purposes without the landlord's OK.

While saving energy is a good idea, letting tenants do work on a property without the owner's permission can lead to problems. Tenants might not know the right way to do things and could accidentally damage the property or even create safety hazards.

For example, the bill talks about things like wrapping water heaters or putting in storm windows. If these aren't done correctly, they could cause fires or other dangers. It's much safer for tenants and landlords to work together on these kinds of improvements. Landlords also want to save energy because it can help tenants pay rent and stay longer.

This bill could let tenants make all sorts of changes without asking, which could be disruptive and even dangerous. Please oppose S58 and instead encourage landlords and tenants to team up on energy saving projects in a safe way.

Sincerely,

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