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Dear House Judiciary,

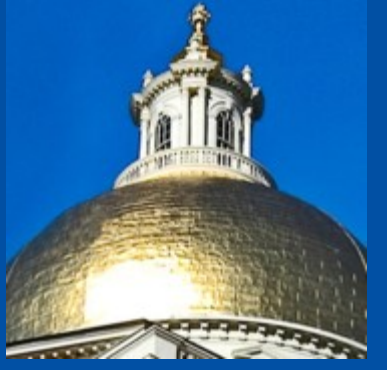
While I support protections for domestic violence victims, I believe a better solution is the law Massachusetts already has in place. It is fair to all parties and helps mitigate unintended consequences. Both Massachusetts and Connecticut do not allow self-certification, but they do provide several methods for tenants to terminate a lease if they are victims of domestic violence. Please consider amending this proposal to match our neighboring states. They also address any property abandoned by the vacating tenant and lock changes. For reference I have linked the mass law below.

Thank you,

Greg Weiss

(a) A tenant or co-tenant may terminate a rental agreement or tenancy and quit the premises upon written notification to the owner that a member of the household is a victim of domestic violence, rape, sexual assault or stalking, if such notification is made within 3 months of the most recent act of domestic violence,

General Law -
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