

Hello,

I am writing in support of this bill which would allow for rentals to five unrelated renters. My son is in attendance at University of Rhode Island. He loves everything about the state university, but the town ordinances limiting rentals to no more than three unrelated renters has caused a housing crisis for students. The university does not have enough housing to accommodate its student population, and the limitations on rentals has made it extremely difficult to find affordable off campus housing. My son is currently in a rental home where we are paying substantially more in rent than normally would be charged if the owner could have rented according to bedroom size and not number of renters. This has increased the debt burden for my family in order for my son to attend the university. I hope that you consider this financial burden for current students, and the possible negative effect on future enrollment when applicants become aware that there is a housing crisis. Thank you for your careful consideration of this issue.

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Sent from my iPhone