

I strongly support bill H7382. This bill reduces the current limits on renting and provides badly needed housing for URI students as has been done for decades. As a full time resident of Narragansett on a street that is primarily URI students, I have no issues with the students. I was a URI student myself and my daughter currently attends to URI and lives off campus and this ordinance has certainly raised hardships for her and her roommates for next year.

The idea that removing one roommate from the equation will somehow eliminate noise, partying or general bad behavior makes no sense. When there are issues, it is because of larger gatherings of people who aren't the residents of the home, i.e. throwing a party and having too many people over. Whether there are three or four people that aren't related on the lease will have no bearing on that issue other than to increase costs for students and their families as well as reduce the number of options for students to live, including my daughter.

Please let me know if you have any questions or I can provide additional details in support of the bill.

Thank you.
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