

OPPOSE H8363

- This bill allows municipalities to restrict who property owners can rent to, creating the potential for bias, discrimination, and harmful precedent.
- It targets a specific group—college students—and limits where they can live.
- It enables towns to reshape community demographics by restricting student housing.
- It introduces burdensome licensing, inspections, and fees that discourage renting to students and could eliminate student housing options entirely.
- It creates a pathway to bypass existing state law that protects student rental arrangements.
- It could deny housing to tens of thousands of students, especially as most colleges lack sufficient on-campus housing.

It impacts not only students, but also their families—many of whom are Rhode Island residents.

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