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To:

House Finance Committee

Subject:

Oppose Bill H-8183

To Whom It May Concern --

As a RI Short Term Rental owner I oppose Bill H-8183 and increasing taxes on short term rentals.

The House Study Commission on Short Term Rentals has not concluded or reported data to support a basis for increasing the taxes on short term rentals. It is also unclear where and how this additional tax revenue would be directed. As such, until meaningful data and greater clarity can be provided for the taxpayers, this bill should not pass.

Please also consider that short term rentals have been a part of the RI resort communities for decades. Short term rentals affords our state the ability to attract visitors and revenue to our beautiful towns and beaches for a very short season. Additional taxes imposed would be detrimental to short term property owners and would ultimately impact these economies negatively.

Thank you for your consideration. Carrie Dunn 75 Crandall Ave Westerly, RI