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I strongly oppose this tax hike. Renters will ultimately receive an increase in rates, resulting in less spending amongst local business, effectively impacting local businesses in vacation areas within the state.

STRs already pay an 8% tax in Middletown, RI. 7% state and 1% of that tax is paid to the town of Middletown, RI. In addition, taxes and property were just reassessed amongst towns in RI - Middletown being one of them. Taxes have been raised 2x within the past three years without clarity into the rationale of the calculation.

Small business are already suffering income loss from inflation, and this will compound them further.

Best,
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Sent from my iPhone