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Dear Chairman Craven and members of the House Judiciary Committee

I am writing to support the bill to prohibit the use of service agreements that are unfair to owners of residential real estate. I ask that RI enacts a bill to prevent predatory real estate brokers from operating in the state. For the last twenty years I have provided design services to Rhode Island homeowners and helped them make the very best use of their greatest investment.

Unfair Service Agreements can complicate the process of selling, refinancing, or transferring property. This can lead to delays, increased legal fees, and potential disputes during real estate transactions. The lack of clear and transparent information can lead to homeowners being trapped in unfair and binding contracts without fully understanding their consequences. These predatory real estate brokers take advantage of homeowners. Rising costs are squeezing the budgets of Rhode Island families. These companies understand the stress and are trying to capitalize on it.

Prohibiting Unfair Service Agreements is essential to protect consumers from these predatory practices. In these times of financial uncertainly, we must protect against such vulnerabilities.

Your sincerely,

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