Roberta DiMezza

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Sent: Sunday, March 16, 2025 11:19 AM

To: House Judiciary Committee

Subject: Oppose H5127 pro-rated security deposit increases

Dear Committee Clerk DiMezza,

I oppose H5127, which allows tenants to pay an increase in a security deposit over a year.

Rent increases are usually small, and this would require a lot of extra bookkeeping and tracking for a pretty small dollar amount.

It also means that for 1part of the lease, a landlord would have less than one month's rent security deposit, which is unfair.

I don't think the increased burden on landlords is justified for the small dollar amounts. For example, a rent increase of \$50 would mean the landlord has to track a \$4.17 payment each month.

I hope that you agree that legislating payments of a few dollars a month over a year is excessive, and vote not to advance this bill.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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