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Dear Committee Clerk DiMezza,

As a small landlord, I am opposed to these proposed bills as they would prevent me from spending money on repairs and improvements. The idea that I would have to get approval from the secretary of housing if I needed to raise rents, for example to offset rising utility bills, is an added administrative burden and unworkable on an ongoing basis. Just utility rates alone have been soaring this year. I have rental units that include heat as part of the rent (because the utilities are not split). My insurance rates and taxes also jump all over the place. I'd submitting all my info on expenses to the secretary of housing every year. If you want to help renters afford to stay in their apartments, a much simpler approach would be to give tenants rental tax credits and/or direct assistance.

Sincerely,

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