

I strongly support bill H7382. This bill reduces the current limits on renting and provides badly needed housing for URI students as has been done for decades.

My daughter is a rising junior at URI and has been advised this week she was not selected for housing next year. The towns of Narragansett and South Kingstown have passed an ordinance limiting renting to no more than three college students. Considering our home State is New York and commuting to URI is not an option, the current housing limitations around the URI campus are making off-campus housing rents unaffordable and eliminating housing for ~1,500 students and has made the search for off-campus housing stressful (and I am only 3 days into searching). As a full-time student at URI my daughter needs to focus on her academics not how she will pay rent so this burden falls on me and in my mid-50s will be forced to take a second job to cover her housing expenses.

While I do not live in your voting district, my daughter does while attending school and will likely be there through grad school and even into the beginning of her career.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

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