Dear Legislators,

I work as a property manager in Narragansett and manage rentals for students, vacationers, families and other groups. We have been renting to students for over twenty years and have seen so many restrictions/proposals/ordinances come to fruition during that time. But in recent years, local officials have taken things too far and have created an unfair situation to owners and renters, despite no good reason to do so.

I strongly support bill H7382. Local officials currently do not allow owners to rent to more than three students or three unrelated people, regardless of the number of bedrooms in the house. This is causing students to pay more to rent a house off campus and is leaving many empty bedrooms all over town, despite the need. This not only affects students but also summer rentals, which is a vital part of the local and state economy. There just isn't a logical reason to leave so many bedrooms unrented any time of the year.

Thank you for your time.

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