Dear committee members:

I strongly oppose bill H8182 which allows cities and towns to restrict and destroy the state's short term rental market. This bill would damage both local and state economies, destroying small businesses and their employees who depend on renters. The passage of this bill will allow cities and towns to use the tools allowed in this bill to determine who can and can't live and visit their town.

The state has invested a ton of money in tourism. Where will the tourists stay if short term rentals are eventually banned??? If tourists are not able to get the accommodations they like in RI, they will vacation and visit other states.

Thank you for hearing me out. Barbara Porrazzo

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