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Subject: OPPOSE H8212

I STRONGLY OPPOSE THIS BILL WHICH ALLOWS CITIES AND TOWN TO RESTRICT AND DESTROY THE STATE'S SHORT TERM RENTAL MARKET THROUGH AGGRESSIVE PERMITTING AND LICENSING, EXCESSIVE FEES, INSPECTIONS AND BURDESOME REPORTING REQUIREMENTS. THIS BILL WOULD DAMAGE BOTH LOCAL AND STATE ECONOMIES, DESTROYING SMALL BUSINESSES AND THEIR EMPLOYEES WHO DEPEND ON THESE 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 OR VISIT THEIR TOWN.

IT IS AN ABSOLUTE ATTACK ON OWNER PROPERTY'S RIGHTS AS WELL.

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