

I am a former landlord who supports the SAVE Units Act (House Bill 5100).

Passage of this Bill will authorize municipalities to make an emergency declaration under limited circumstances to allow for the construction and use of SAVE Units on a temporary basis which have specialized requirements and exemptions from the state fire and building codes.

Far too many Rhode Islanders are homeless in 2025. Recent data from the Rhode Island Coalition to End Homelessness shows a startling increase in the number of homeless in our state, compared to just a few years ago.

Passage of this Bill will help a great deal and provide life-saving shelter for our most vulnerable citizens. I urge you to pass Bill 5100.

Thank you for your consideration.

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