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and Development  
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Sirs and/or Madam:

I've been a landlord for over 30 years. The bill you are wanting to pass will likely drive me out of the rental housing business. You are giving non paying tenants about 75 days rent free before a landlord can get them removed. You are doing this without helping me pay my increased (NO CAP BY YOU, THE LEGISLATURE) property tax, insurance, utilities, repairs or income tax. How are landlords supposed to do so with no rent coming in?

I have had tenants notify me they are getting help and, with proof from the helper that it's on the way, I don't issue a notice of nonpayment unless the help doesn't appear within the 60 day time frame that it usually takes.

I also know that many of the non payers have full time jobs or many jobs "under the table". They just choose not to pay & will work the system to stay rent free for however long they can get away with it.

Do any of you actually own rental property?? Do you have any knowledge of how to make any profit at all? Doesn't seem like it. You're all for the "poor" tenants but who cares about the "mean, greedy" landlords.

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