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Greetings. I am a senior who purposefully purchased a home with a separate small apartment attached. One main reason why I purchased this domicile, is to have rental income coming in to assist in supporting me for the time I can remain here. SB611, reducing the amount of rent increase I can implement is discerning. I work with the tenant on these issues and may or may not raise rent, assuming renter is responsible and will stay for a length of time. To set a 3% limit in a rent increase and not even considering the cost of living in the mix is a low blow. From my point of view, WHY "fix" what isn't broken? 3% isn't even a tank of gas....and I don't drive that much any longer.

Please reconsider passing SB611 - there are people/corporations who may abuse the system, but the little guy deserves your consideration.

Thank you.