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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Housing and Homelessness

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2967

Dear Sir,

I am a property owner so perhaps it is no surprise that I oppose this bill. It is clearly understood that this would place the responsibility of all screening fees onto the property owner/manager, so obviously an owner would oppose this.

But additionally having once rented myself - passing this bill is also going to make it much more difficult for people looking to rent. Already there is a great deal of competition for rental housing, this bill is going to increase that competition and furthermore remove any barriers to entry for applications. Anyone can submit a frivolous application which would take attention away from a sincere applicant.

This bill may sound like a good idea - like you are helping those in need - but the consequences that follow must be carefully considered.