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On Behalf Of:

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While on the surface, this bill seems like a reasonable support for kids and teachers in school, there are a number of items that are of concern.

As a long-time landlord, I have run into situations where the rental needs major repairs that make it unfit for the tenant. This bill appears to limit a landlord's ability to remove the tenants who are in an unsafe environment until the school year is over. It is not healthy for that family, especially any children, to continue to be in the unit. Even the current 90-day notice has caused difficulties at times.

The bill does not differentiate between listed tenants and others who may live in the unit such as unauthorized occupants. If this unauthorized occupant is a student or teacher, does that prevent the landlord from giving a termination notice?

I found this bill confusing. I had to read it three times before I understood, I hope, what it was saying.

Please oppose SB594.