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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Housing and Development

Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB722

Dear Chair Pham, Vice-Chair Anderson, and Members of the Committee: I am writing to ask you to support SB 722. This bill is vital to prevent displacement and extreme rent spikes by extending coverage of our state's rent stabilization statutes and prohibiting the use of price-fixing software to inflate rents. I work with young people experiencing homelessness and one of the biggest challenges is not being able to afford rent on the low wages they often earn as young adults; as manager of Outside In's Employment & Education Resource Center, I witness firsthand how many of our youth have to work multiple jobs only to just barely make rent or, in many cases, lose their housing altogether. Please take action to move this legislation forward. Thank you, Eva Kokopeli