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Senators,

As a senior living in a Mfg. home park, I see the effects of rising cost daily for seniors just like myself. I appreciate the fact that increases help keep a business in business. However, the current rent cap of 10% is way out of line. At that rate seniors are not able to afford necessities like medicine or proper food. I personally know and have helped seniors buy necessities, because of these increases. Please keep in mind that rent is not the only increase we face. How much has food gone up just recently? Quite a bit for sure. We have all worked, paid into the system, and then some. We are not asking for a handout, as others may do. We simply want a fair shake. 6% is still more than we would like, but it is a good start. I am sure that you also have family members facing this issue or know of someone who is. Please make a decision that will help all seniors, perhaps including yourselves one day. That is to LOWER the rent cap to 6% for a start. This will also ensure that we may be able to sell our homes if needed. Please put yourself in our place, even if just for a minute, and I know that you will see the reasonableness of our request. Thank you for your time concerning this matter and thank you for your support.