

I am in full support of PB 5686 as it helps solve two large problems.

Nuisance tenants hurt other tenants primarily and the Legislature needs to understand that property owners must protect their residents.

When we have renters creating problems in a building and there is no ability to remove the problem, decent renters' lives are disrupted. Innocent kids are at risk and sadly, bad tenants have become empowered due to the Covid eviction restrictions. These disruptive renters need to be removed from a property and not disturb, disrupt the lives of the other occupants in the premises, especially now that Covid appears to be winding down.

Secondly, many owners have tried to apply for financial help, and it's been a nightmare getting funds. Please consider the owner that called me last week and was in tears that her 12-unit building had 6 of her renters who are all working but refusing to pay rent. She provides heat for the property but did not have any money to buy oil to fill the tank.

Owners are not wealthy and need help like all businesses do now. Please pass this legislation and get it on the Governor's desk to sign

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