## House Bill 5574, House Amendment 1

## Support

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**Testimony:** We support HB 5574, HA 1, the Economic Recovery Emergency Renter and Homeowner Protection Act, because due to the COVID Pandemic outbreak, unemployment has skyrocketed to new levels, working individuals & families of low-income status, including people with disabilities, are currently unemployed, and the cost of health care, food, necessary sanitation and prevention items have become detrimental to our safety and well-being. Therefore, COVID Pandemic has caused an unnecessary burden on financial expenses and will have a long lasting economic impact, and individuals and families should not have to worry if the will have a roof over their head and a place to call home, and should not have to choose should between pay rent or the mortgage, the utilities, and/or buy food and necessary prevention items for the safety of themselves and others.