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Supporting: HB-5574 HA 1 Emergency Rental and Homeowner Protection Act

Testimony:

I support the Emergency Renter and Homeowner Protection Act, HB5574, because the relief offered so far hasn't been enough. Even assuming people have been able to access the expanded unemployment benefits and the stimulus checks, which is far from a guarantee, this crisis is still in its infancy. The first wave of the virus has hit us, but future waves, and the brunt of the economic crisis, are still to come. No one should lose their home during a pandemic, but more than that, we need to ensure that there aren't mass evictions as soon as the moratorium is lifted after the pandemic passes. The best and most efficient way to accomplish this without leaving out significant parts of the population is through broad rent cancellations.