

Dear Committee members,

I am a resident in CT who owns a few rental properties. I am writing to support of CTPOA's petition for fair housing. I support the petition that there has to be some "burden of proof" and a fair process to screen out frivolous claims. The CHRO process has to be reformed that it is no an automatic punishment to landlord if someone claims discrimination. Landlords has to be assumed innocent until proved guilty, as all other areas of laws. Things like "I think this is what he/she means", "it feels like" can not be used to establish a case against landlord. Systematic entrapment of tester tactic has to be reformed. Complainant has to be under oath that they are telling all the truth. The monetary punishment has to be just, other than based on the ability for the accused to pay.

We can not see our fair housing law, which intended to protect its people, degraded into a easy tool for some to make a lot of money quick and easy.

It has to change.

Thank you.

Lin Yang, a resident of Connecticut