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Representing: Self

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

Testimony:

I am a volunteer who works with tenants across Chicago to help support them and refer them to legal aid. I'm hearing stories every day from folks who were paying their rent on time for years until the coronavirus hit, and have since been served an eviction notice. As soon as the courts reopen, we can expect these evictions to be filed, permanently damaging the credit of these residents. There is an economic crisis coming that will permanently harm working class Illinoisans, and it will likely lead to a massive increase in homelessness if the legislature does not take action now to abate it.