

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: Moves for recommendations to develop a pilot program in District 13 of Los Angeles that would regulate homesharing in primary residences subject to the Rent Stabilization Ordinance. Was later proposed on 6/18/19 at a Planning & Land Use Management (PLUM) meeting to include all of Los Angeles' districts - has not yet been adopted into the motion. A 60 day report-back was requested on that day to determine the feasibility of including all districts.

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Name: shana
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Comments for Public Posting: Hi I wanted to let you know my story because I think its important to recognize all of the voices in the air b and b situation and how much losing this option will impact me as an angeleno for almost 30 years now! I bought my house in 2001 and have always rented out the downstairs until just a couple of years ago. I live upstairs and over time it became increasingly hard to have tenants below. My last tenant made a lot of noise and even though I would repeatedly ask kindly to stop it never did. He wasn't breaking the law, but it was a huge nuisance to me. I really wanted my tenant to leave but legally I didn't have a leg to stand on. I looked into moving but this is my home and I couldn't afford to buy another home or even rent in this market. This situation caused immense stress in my life and I believe this is part of why I was diagnosed with an illness in 2018 at a pretty young age. I always charged a very fair rent and never raised the rent on tenants but as you know the rent control laws are such that tenants can often have more rights than a landlord-even if its a small building and the landlord lives on the property. In the past, situations that arose with tenants would cause immense stress for me because I ultimately felt powerless on my own property. When this tenant finally left, I decided I would never rent the downstairs again to anyone longterm. Living upstairs from a tenant/sharing walls in a rent controlled situation is incredibly stressful as a landlord and I just don't want to put myself through that ever again. Air b and b has been a blessing to me, allowing me to pay for the many medical bills that I have accrued in the last year and allowing me to still have an income with my property without the stress of sharing walls with a longterm tenant. I also am able to employ a cleaner who I pay more than \$30/hr to clean and as such this is her only job. I am in Gilbert Cedillo's district and I truly hope the proposed ordinances to allow air b and b to continue for rso units pass as it would be immensely helpful to me. Losing the ability to have short term rentals on my property would be a huge blow, financially and emotionally. As of right now, it is my main source of income. thank you, shana