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On Behalf Of:
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Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2967

Representative Pam Marsh
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Chair Marsh, Vice-Chair Anderson, Vice-Chair Breese-Iverson,

I urge you to pass HB 2967 to prohibit landlords from charging application fees. These fees create a major financial burden for low-income renters, making it harder to secure stable housing.

As a life long renter and someone who will be looking for a new place to live later this year I would prefer not to have the extra stress of steep application fees. These fees are an unnecessary hassle in a process that is already time consuming for a working class person who works 40+ hours a week.

These fees disproportionately affect marginalized communities and keep families trapped in unstable housing situations. Landlords have little incentive to keep these fees low. Existing regulations make it difficult for tenants to enforce their rights.

Eliminating these fees will help reduce barriers to housing and give renters a better chance at stability.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,
Bob Moland