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House Committee on Housing and Homelessness

Re: House Bill 2889

Dear Chair Representative Dexter, Vice-Chairs Representatives Gamba and Helfrich and members Representatives Cate, Fahey, Hartman, Helm, Javadi, Levy and Wright:

House Bill 2889 is an example of how bureaucracies feed upon themselves, ever-growing, never tiring of re-inventing the wheel.

It is impossible to believe that instigating yet another “analysis” will turn up anything that is not already well-known.

I’m guessing, but this bill is probably about correcting previous legislation. Previous legislation that more than likely was initially rushed through.

I’ve lost track of how many times legislators have said something along the lines of, “We have so much to do (this session),” meaning of course, they’ve got to get through a list of bills or the world will come to an end.

Why do I seldom, if ever, hear a legislator say, “We need more time to collect data, to sort out the intricacies...” and the like? Because they’re always in a rush “to do something.” And it seems that more often than not, doing something leads to more somethings down the road to correct the errors.

Knock yourselves out, but do we really need more legislation on this topic?

Sincerely,



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