

Sample letters for Legislative People:

Dear _____:

Please do not allow mobile home park owners to raise rents whenever the thought enters their minds. There's nothing wrong with making an honest living, but when these land owners raise rents on whimsy and furthermore, when they do it at the expense of people who are likely to be on fixed incomes as retirees or at the expense of other low to moderate income folks it not only doesn't make sense but it's immoral.

(Insert your story here.....My step-dad in Kent County lived in a mobile home and when the prices were raised on his land rent we found out that he was doing without medicine to make ends meet.)

In order to raise mobile home park rents there must be a significant and documentable necessity for doing so. Mobile home renters throughout the state need this protection. Please help us.

Your name:

Address:

Phone #:

Email:

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Competition is an effective equalizer. But what happens when there is no competition? Sadly, residents of Delaware's Manufactured Home Communities can answer that question. They have seen their land rent increase year after year – even through the deep recession of the past two years. Without regulation, owners of manufactured home communities will continue to gouge Delaware's most vulnerable residents.

Residents of land leased homes have no safeguard such as fixed rate, long term mortgages which are available for fee simple homes. They cannot move as tenants in rented houses can if the rent becomes exorbitant. They are indentured homeowners who are powerless against the self-interest and greed of the community owners.

Progressive Democrats of Sussex County believe all citizens are entitled to equal rights and equal treatment. We therefore urge the 146th General Assembly to pass a bill this session that will provide protection for the residents of manufactured home communities. It is just plain wrong to allow owners to raise rents once a year with no limit and no explanation required. It is not only the right thing from a human rights standpoint, but such a bill will help reduce the tragically high eviction rate.

Thank you.

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Your name:

Address:

Phone #:

Email:

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Send to: Church, or any Organization you belong to, or business you deal with.

Please feel free to personalize your letter as it fits your circumstances.

Dear _____,

I am asking you to write a letter of support for a Rent Justification Bill. I have lived in (name of your community) since. My rent has gone from, (amount) to (amount) this year. My rent can be raised any amount once a year.

I own my home (or) I pay a mortgage on my home. If these increases continue, I will lose my home.

Your letter of support for me and others living on leased land is critical. Please send the letter to me or I can pick-up a copy and I will deliver to my Representative and State Senator.

Your Name:

Address:

Phone # :

Email:

Dear _____,

Because my landlord can raise the rent on my home by any amount without a reason, I am afraid I will lose my home. (Your story here....My husband was self employed all his life and does not have a pension, and I raised our family. We used our savings to buy this home thinking we could afford to live in it until we die. We are barely making it on Social Security. Our children help us with major repairs. What should we do when we can't afford the rent? We tried to sell but our home has been on the market for two years without a bite.)

I would like you write a letter in support of a Rent Justification law that I can take to the State Legislature.

The more letters of support we can gather to present to the legislature the more likely they are to listen.

Please send the letter to me or I can pick-up a copy and I will deliver to my Representative and State Senator.

Your Name:

Address:

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