

I have been hosting Airbnbs and Vrbos for 7 years. This has literally saved my family of 6 during the economic downtimes and Covid pandemic. Without this, we would have had NO INCOME and would have had to get governmental help. HB563 would enable me and my family to make a living without public support and/or public interference and limitations. As there are only a couple of hotels in our rural area, our short-term rentals bring money into our small community and surrounding communities - restaurants, gas stations, tourist stops, small shops and businesses all benefit from our guests. These short-term rentals are our financial lifeblood. They are beautiful places that we take great pride in. Since they house short-term guests, we are constantly cleaning, upgrading, and maintaining these spaces. Because Airbnb and Vrbo grade guests as well as hosts, the quality of these spaces is top-notch. I would be HAPPY to meet with lawmakers alongside other hosts, virtually or in-person to share my story.

Sincerely,

Molly Sedensky