

Cuyahoga County Mayors & City Managers Association

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Chairman Scott Wiggam 77 S. High St. 13th Floor Columbus, Ohio 43215

Dear Chairman Wiggam:

I am writing on behalf of the Cuyahoga County Mayors and City Managers Association regarding House Bill (HB) 563 – Rental Property. Our Association is comprised of 57 communities representing nearly 1.3 million constituents in Cuyahoga County. We strongly oppose HB 563, as it severely limits local governments from regulating short term property rentals.

It is critical that local governments be able to respond to the needs of its residents. In some instances, unrestrained short-term property rentals have caused significant issues within communities. There have been high profile examples where these rentals have caused major nuisances for residents and placed a heavy strain on our police departments. Each community has unique circumstances that should be addressed at the local level. A statewide, one size fits all approach will have adverse impacts for our residents.

Finally, this legislation in our view is bad policy and a direct violation of home rule powers provided in the Ohio Constitution.

For these reasons, we ask you to oppose HB 563.

We appreciate your consideration and look forward to providing our input throughout this process. Please let us know if you have any questions and if we can provide any additional information.

Sincerely,

Richard M. Bain, President Mayor, City of Pepper Pike

Cc: Members of the Ohio House of Representatives State and Local Government Committee

Representing 1.2 million people in 57 communities.