



JUSTICE FOR RENTERS ACT

FACT SHEET

The Justice for Renters Act removes the ban on rent control in California, giving local communities the right to stabilize rents and make apartments more affordable for low-income and middle-income renters.

- **Eliminates the California statewide ban on rent control (Costa Hawkins).**
- **Allows local government to help renters stabilize their rent and prevent skyrocketing increases year after year.**
- **Helps local government address one of the root causes of homelessness, skyrocketing rents and unaffordable housing.**

Can the Justice for Renters Act help address skyrocketing rents?

The Justice for Renters Act will remove the ban on rent control. It gives local communities the right to expand rent control and stabilize rents, making neighborhoods more affordable for low income and middle-income renters. Current law prevents local government from expanding rent control, leaving renters at the mercy of corporate landlords and skyrocketing rents few people can afford.

Can the Justice for Renters Act address the increase in homelessness in California?

Yes. The Justice for Renters Act will allow local communities to stop skyrocketing rents that have displaced tenants and left many homeless. A recent study shows that for every 5% increase in rent, 2,000 more people fall into homelessness.

Who supports the Justice for Renters Initiative?

Pro-renter, social justice, Veterans and senior groups support the Justice for Renters initiative.

How does the Justice for Renters Act impact current law?

Current law bans local government from expanding rent control in California and also allows for rents to be increased up to 10% every year. This is why rents are too expensive for the average person. If the Justice for Renters Act passes, it will lift this ban on rent control and allow local government to stop skyrocketing rents.