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TESTIMONY ON SB0384 - POSITION: FAVORABLE

Landlord and Tenant - Stay of Eviction Proceeding for Rental Assistance Determination

TO: Chair Smith, Vice Chair Waldstreicher and members of the Judicial Proceedings Committee

FROM: Michael English

My name is Michael English, and I live in downtown Silver Spring, part of Maryland District 20. I am writing this testimony in support of SB0384, Landlord and Tenant - Stay of Eviction Proceeding for Rental Assistance Determination. While various levels of government, including the state of Maryland, are to be commended for the amount of rental assistance that went out in an unprecedented time of need the last two years, I don't need to tell you there have been delays and gaps in the distribution of that funding. With so much assistance still needing to be paid out to those who qualify, it's important that we don't let those who have help on the way get evicted before it can arrive. It's simple, it's basic, but it's right.

I respectfully urge this committee to return a favorable report on SB0384.