

Attention : Delegate Foley

I am writing to express my enthusiastic support for passage of MD SB624, the Jillian and Lindsay Wiener Short Term Rental Fire Safety Act. This bill will require mandatory fire safety inspections for short-term rental properties, and, critically, require property owners to provide visible proof of a successful inspection to prospective renters. This bill is deeply important in memory of Jillian and Lindsay Weiner, who tragically lost their lives in a home that had not undergone proper fire safety inspections. The Weiners are very dear friends and this unimaginable loss has devastated an entire community of people that loved these two girls dearly. Their deaths were not simply an accident - they were the result of preventable gaps in oversight and transparency. No family should have to endure such a loss because basic safety standards were not verified. Jillian and Lindsay's memory should compel meaningful action. Passing this legislation would honor them by helping ensure other families are never placed in similar danger.

I respectfully urge you to support and advance this bill.

Sincerely,

Sherri Schacter