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HB 1060 Residential Owners in Common Ownership Communities Bill of Rights

Favorable

When my husband and I moved into this active adult 55+ community in 2005, we had no idea what it would entail. We didn't receive our governing documents until we had signed on the dotted line. We didn't know that owners were bound to membership in an organization that required adherence to a set of rules and, often special assessments. Planned Development Communities were intended to protect property values and ensuring a certain standard of living. Instead, these communities turned out to be doctorial organizations that stripped away constitutionally granted property rights, take away your home without benefit of appearing in court, and hold you hostage in a home whose expenses you cannot control. Living in a common-interest owned community is a Huge Liability. Your home and all of your assets are liable for embezzlement, homicide, insurance scams, fraud, violent acts, stupidity, lawsuits, accidents and maintenance liabilities.

Homeowner association governance is not subject to the Constitutional constraints that public government must abide by. State agencies have a hands-off policy claiming that we entered into a private contract and do not fall under their jurisdiction. Boards of Directors are given "Judicial Deference" because they're only volunteers, are usually not professionals and do not know the law.

We need help to keep our homes. We need laws that are going to protect us, the homeowners. Democracy is at the core of community. We don't have it.

Please support The Homeowners Bill of Rights.