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Testimony of Delegate Dr. Jay Jalisi Before the House Environment & Transportation Committee

In Support of HB-688 Real Property - Residential Contract of Sale - Buyer Identification

February 22, 2022, 1:00pm

Chair Barve, Vice-Chair Stein, and my colleagues in the Environment & Transportation Committee,

I come before you today to introduce a bill that is aimed to protect victims of domestic violence, racial discrimination, and any other home buyer who may have a legitimate fear of her or his safety, security or of fair treatment.

This bill authorizes a buyer to mask the buyer's identity when entering into a contract of sale for a single-family residential property that is executed with the services of a real estate broker. A buyer that elects to use this method must identify the buyer's real estate broker in the residential contract of sale and execute a separate document with the broker that identifies the buyer.

The bill applies prospectively and does not have any effect on or application to any residential contract of sale executed before the bill's October 1, 2022 effective date

Thank you for your time, and I request a favorable vote for my bill.

Very sincerely,

Delegate Dr. Jay Jalisi