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TESTIMONY ON HB#0767 - POSITION: FAVORABLE

Real Property - Landlord and Tenant - Procedures for Failure to Pay Rent, Breach of Lease, and Tenant Holding Over (Tenant Possessions Recovery Act)

TO: Chair Korman, Vice Chair Boyce, and members of the Environment and Transportation Committee

FROM: Richard Keith Kaplowitz

My name is Richard Kaplowitz. I am a resident of District 3, Frederick County. I am submitting this testimony in support of/ HB#/0767, Real Property - Landlord and Tenant - Procedures for Failure to Pay Rent, Breach of Lease, and Tenant Holding Over (Tenant Possessions Recovery Act)

This bill preserves the rights of a tenant who has had a situation in which their inability to pay rent or their having breeched a lease has caused a landlord to take action to recover monies due and reposess a rental or leased property.

This bill establishes a requirement for a landlord to provide certain notice to a tenant when a court has issued a warrant of restitution for a failure of a tenant to pay rent, a breach of lease, or a tenant holding over under certain circumstances. It accomplishes this by establishing certain procedures and requirements for the execution of a warrant for repossession. It keeps the affected tenant from personal and financial loss compounding their situation by providing for the disposition of certain personal property following the execution of a warrant of restitution that protects their property from becoming a total loss.

I respectfully urge this committee to return a favorable report on HB0767.