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Testimony on HB #1076: Position--FAVORABLE Residential Real Property - Landlord and Tenant - Notice of Landlord Entry

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

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My name is Deedee Jacobsohn. I am a resident of D16, and am submitting this **testimony in support of HB#1076**, **Notice of Landlord Entry**.

Tenants expect a certain amount of privacy when they rent a home. It is potentially disruptive and acutely disturbing to have a landlord enter your home without prior notice. My son, who rents an apartment with his girlfriend, recently experienced a situation where his management company attempted to enter the apartment and make minor repairs (to a problem first reported over 5 months ago)—while his girlfriend was sleeping. Her hours as an ICU nurse on the night shift are not typical. This disruption aggravated a challenging living situation and could have been avoided by the simple courtesy of a notice of intent to enter. Most homeowners expect that in a non-emergency situation, they can schedule the presence of others in their home. Tenants should have the same rights.

I respectfully urge this committee to **return a favorable report on HB #1076: Notice of Landlord Entry.**