

Statement in Support of HB1221 (Senate Bill 624): Anna Dolce

My name is Anna Dolce, and I am here to express my utmost support for the Jillian and Lindsay Wiener Short-Term Rental Fire Safety Act.

Jillian was one of my best friends at the University of Michigan. She was smart, spunky, brave, and strong, and she loved the environment, yoga, and her friends and family. While I only met her sister, Lindsay a few times, she was kind, bubbly and sweet. Both girls brought joy and laughter to their friends and family and left a lasting impact on everyone who knew them.

Jillian and Lindsay were taken from us all too soon. No one should lose their life because basic fire safety protections were missing or inadequate, especially while on vacation.

This bill would provide practical steps, such as evacuation diagrams, functional smoke alarms, figure extinguishers and emergency contacts clearly identifiable in rentals. This will ensure that everyone is well equipped in the case of emergency and prevent future tragedy.

Supporting stronger fire safety standards means honoring lives like Jilly and Linday's and making sure other families and friends never have to experience this kind of loss. I urge you to pass this bill in their memory.

Sincerely,

Anna