

In 2022, I lost one of my close friends, Lindsay Wiener along with her sister Jillian Wiener, in a devastating house fire. Their loss was sudden, heartbreaking, and deeply personal for so many of us who knew and loved them. Lindsay and Jillian were vibrant, kind, and full of life, and their absence is felt every single day and that is something we now need to live with. At our age so many young adults rely on home rental sites like Airbnb and VRBO when going away and looking for a place to stay. My family and I are now forced to travel with portable fire alarms and CO2 detectors out of fear that this preventable tragedy could happen to us.

I support this bill because no family, no friends, and no community should have to endure a tragedy like this, especially when it can be prevented. It is my duty as a close friend of the Wieners to honor Lindsay and Jillian and advocate for stronger protections and meaningful change so that other lives can be saved.