

Communication from Public

Name: CD 11 and CD 10 constituent

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Comments for Public Posting: Once again you are proposing to put forth legislation that causes financial distress to landlords without even attempting to consider the ramifications or a means to pay for what you propose. Do you realize the financial impact of converting an existing building that was built according to Codes in effect at the time of construction, to now be required to have cooling units, when it was not previously a requirement? The price of cooling units will automatically skyrocket because of increased demand and contractors will automatically price gouge their services because of something becoming a requirement and knowing that a person doesn't have a choice. The same thing happened when an earthquake retrofit mandate was implemented. You gave us no financial assistance for the projects nor any protections from overpriced contractors. You simply put a financial target on our backs and left us to deal with it and we have not recovered. Tenants can purchase individual window or portable cooling units for their personal use if desired and if you choose, you can give them a rebate but to demand that it becomes a requirement that sits at the feet of landlords is wrong and unjust. It's time that you start serving all constituents and stop peddling motions that equates to buying votes.