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## Dear Senator Skinner:

I am concerned about housing. This country has a history of supporting home ownership as a means toward economic security, social stability and racial bias but many have been left out and with inequality rising large percentages of minorities (see bias above) and low wage earners instead rent their homes and are more vulnerable to eviction in the current COVID related economic disaster. This will obviously leave many more homeless, hungry and unable to join any post-COVID economy. The federal response has been helpful but slipshod and is now expiring leaving the states to step up once again. In the long term more construction and new less bigoted federal loan guarantees make sense but things are now desperate and rent guarantees and eviction moratoria are needed this week.

Thank you for supporting housing security with SB 1410.

I am very proud to be a US resident and a large part of that derives from our social stability.

Sincerely, Eric Babson