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A rental unit statewide registry is a bad idea! My name is Louise Hinkley. I live in Gray, Maine, where my husband and I own a duplex, living in one half and renting out the other half. We also own a rented duplex in Winthrop and a single family home in Westbrook.

A rental registry would disproportionately effect small landlords like us, with more paperwork, fees and inspections. We have always tried to keep tenants happy, and keep rents down, but increases in property taxes and insurance make it difficult. Added rules, confusion about those rules, and possible penalties will be driving small landlords like us out of the business.

Plus, bad irresponsible landlords are still going to ignore rules, so this proposed registry is not likely to help turn them around. It will primarily effect already conscientious landlords, and end up raising the cost of providing housing.

Please Oppose this bill. Thank you.  
Louise Hinkley  
Gray, Maine