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This message originates from outside the Maine Legislature.

How is a 5 day remediation period realistic? Let's say that the tenant has a serious mold problem that has damaged the sheetrock. To find a drywall person or carpenter to repair this job, in 5 days, are you serious. How many of you on this committee have tried to hire anyone in the trades recently. They are scarce, with long wait lists.

Also, the tenant can use even the smallest perceived problem as an excuse to withhold rent.

This bill does not address reasonable steps any tenant should take to <u>prevent</u> mold from occurring in the first place.

These are only three of numerous complaints about this bill, <u>which</u> <u>is simply not necessary</u>. Landlords obligations are already defined un der the law. Who is behind this bill? Why are landlords being villainized?

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