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Representative Steven Johnson
Chairman, Oversight Committee
Michigan House of Representatives

Dear Chairman Johnson,

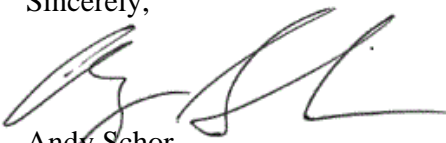
I am writing to oppose HB 6188, currently under consideration in the House Oversight Committee. This legislation, part of a 31 bill package, could severely hamper local government efforts to help residents of mobile home parks in times of crisis.

HB 6188 would repeal a section of law that was used effectively in the City of Lansing. In 2014, residents of the Life O'Riley Mobile Home Park in south Lansing were living in terrible, unsafe, and unsanitary conditions. Management's neglect of the park led to living conditions there deteriorating. A lack of general upkeep led to raw sewage flowing from mobile homes directly onto the streets and ground. The City of Lansing and Ingham County were able to step in and assist families living there under the provisions of this law. As a member of the Michigan House of Representatives at the time, I was able to pass legislation to reform the state Mobile Home Commission as a result.

While the powers granted under this Act may not be used very often, they are important. It was used safely and effectively to help Lansing residents at a time of great need. As public servants we all hope that this would not be needed in the future, the reality is another local unit of government could very well face a similar situation and rely on this law to keep families, children, and senior citizens safe.

Thank you for your attention to this issue and for allowing me to present a real-life scenario where this law was truly necessary to assist our residents. I am opposed to the repeal of this section of law because I personally saw the difference it made in the lives of these residents living in desperate conditions. I hope that you, and the Members of the Oversight Committee will keep this in mind as this package is up for consideration.

Sincerely,



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Cc: Rep. Andrew Fink
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