



CONGRESSWOMAN CORI BUSH & SENATOR ELIZABETH WARREN

KEEPING RENTERS SAFE ACT OF 2021



[THE KEEPING RENTERS SAFE ACT OF 2021](#)

Congresswoman Cori Bush (MO-01) and Senator Elizabeth Warren (D-MA)

Original cosponsors (39): Reps. Ayanna Pressley (MA-07),* Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez (NY-14),* Jimmy Gomez (CA-34),* Ilhan Omar (MN-05),* Mondaire Jones (NY-17),* Jan Schakowsky (IL-09),* Jamaal Bowman (NY-16), Eleanor Holmes Norton (DC-00), Barbara Lee (CA-13), Juan Vargas (CA-51), Jesús G. “Chuy” García (IL-04), Kaiiali‘i Kahele (HI-02), Danny K. Davis (IL-07), Frederica S. Wilson (FL-24), Adriano Espaillat (NY-13), Karen Bass (CA-37), Grace Meng (NY-06), James P. McGovern (MA-02), Bonnie Watson Coleman (NJ-12), Jamie Raskin (MD-08), Earl Blumenauer (OR-03), Pramila Jayapal (WA-07), Mark Takano (CA-41), Sheila Jackson Lee (TX-18), Veronica Escobar (TX-16), Ritchie Torres (NY-15), Suzanne Bonamici (OR-01), Andy Levin (MI-09), Alan Lowenthal (CA-47), Melanie Stansbury (NM-01), Jerry Nadler (NY-10), Yvette Clarke (NY-09), David N. Cicilline (RI-01), Mark Pocan (WI-02), Nanette Diaz Barragán (CA-44), Tony Cárdenas (CA-29), Bennie G. Thompson (MS-02), Nikema Williams (GA-05)

Senate cosponsors (5): Sens. Elizabeth Warren (D-MA),* Ed Markey (D-MA),* Alex Padilla (D-CA),* Mazie Hirono (D-HI), Bernard Sanders (I-VT)

Following the devastating lapse of the federal eviction moratorium on August 26, 2021, millions of people are at imminent risk of losing their homes, stability, and safety. The eviction crisis will continue to wreak havoc on our communities if Congress does not immediately enact the **Keeping Renters Safe Act of 2021**.

The **Keeping Renters Safe Act of 2021** will protect renters from eviction and curb the spread of COVID-19 by:

- Amending section 361 of the Public Health Service Act to clarify the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) has permanent authority to implement a residential eviction moratorium to address public health crises.

- Directing HHS to implement a national residential eviction moratorium in response to COVID-19 that:
 - Must be automatic, without requiring individuals to apply for coverage.
 - Applies to all residential eviction filings, hearings, judgments, and execution of judgments.
 - Allows the Secretary to establish appropriate moratorium exceptions necessary to protect the health and safety of others.
 - Remains in effect at least 60 days following the conclusion of the public health emergency.

The **Keeping Renters Safe Act of 2021** costs us nothing but time: time for renters to receive financial assistance, time for the economy to fully recover, and time for the pandemic to finally come to an end. If we do not implement a new eviction moratorium, our entire society will suffer the dire and lethal consequences of our legislative inaction.

The rippling effect of nearly 40 million Americans testing positive for COVID-19, the death of over 640,000 people, and countless more permanently disabled is cause for continued protections, especially a federal eviction moratorium. As the Delta variant continues to claim lives, force individuals to quarantine, close schools, and stifle business, it is imperative we continue to offer the highest levels of support and protection in the interest of public health and safety.

Support Congresswoman Cori Bush and Senator Elizabeth Warren in keeping millions of people safely in their homes for the duration of the pandemic by enacting **the Keeping Renters Safe Act of 2021**. [Bill Text](#)

Endorsements (81): A Way Home America, Action Center on Race and the Economy, Affordable Housing Network of Santa Clara County, ArchCity Defenders, Inc., Be:Seattle, Beyond Housing, Black Lives Matter Global Network Foundation, Bull City Tenants United, CA Renters Caucus, Charles House', Citizen Action of New York, Community Alliance of Tenants, Community Action for Safe Apartments, Community Solutions, Covenant House, Detroit Action, Down Home NC, Empower Missouri, Familia: Trans Queer Liberation Movement, Florida Rising, FreeSource, Funders Together to End Homelessness, HOMES Campaign Delaware, Hometown Action, Hoosier Action, Horizon Housing Development Company, Housing Justice Project, HousingLOUISIANA, Human Impact Partners, Indivisible, Inquilinxs Unidxs por Justicia (United Renters for Justice), Jane Addams Senior Caucus, JustFix, Justice Democrats, KC Tenants, KY Tenants, Los Angeles Community Action Network, Louisiana Fair Housing Action Center, Make the Road Nevada, Metropolitan Development Council, Metropolitan St. Louis Equal Housing and Opportunity Council, Missouri Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence, National Center for Healthy

Housing, National Coalition for Homeless Veterans, National Coalition for Housing Justice, National Coalition for the Homeless, National Education Association, National Health Care for the Homeless Council, National Homelessness Law Center, National Housing Law Project, National Low Income Housing Coalition, National Women's Law Center, New Jersey Citizen Action, New Jersey Tenants Organization, ONE Northside, One Westlake, Our Revolution, Palo Alto Renters' Association, People's Action, PUSH Buffalo, Progressive Leadership Alliance Of Nevada, Right to Counsel NYC Coalition, Riverside Edgecombe Neighborhood Association, Rent Zero Kansas, RESULTS, Root Cause Research Center, Safety Net Project: Urban Justice Center, Show Up for Racial Justice, Social Security Works, South Carolina Housing Justice Network, Street Vendor Project: Urban Justice Center, Sunrise Movement, Tenants Political Action Committee, Unemployed Workers United, Unified Citizens, Inc., United Vision for Idaho, Western Regional Advocacy Project, Westside Health Authority, The Women's Building, Working Families Party, Youth Collaboratory