

BF Committee

From: Holly Vierra <hvierra@icloud.com>
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To: BF Committee
Subject: STRH Property tax increase

To my Maui County Council Members

Dear Members,

My name is HollyVierra and I am a licensed STRH operator in Haiku.

I am astonished that the Council Members we elected to guide and create fair ordinances for our community are attempting to collect an outrageous amount of property taxes from private home vacation rentals.

The commercial tax category is fair at best. And to increase the rate to the proposed rate makes it a SIXTY PERCENT INCREASE over residential rate. OUTRAGEOUS! 60%!!

** It is really NOT FAIR to classify our short term rental the same as condos with the right to rent instilled by zoning!

** The RESTRICTIONS on the STRH permit don't even allow for having family over for dinner on thanksgiving!!

** Condos don't need to abide by any of these rules concerning having guests visit at the property.

** Condos also SHARE the TAXATION bringing down the individual payment down to a more reasonable level.

** Condo owners may build a Vacation Rental BUSINESS that can be SOLD WITH THE UNIT

CONDOS DON'T go thru PERMITTING PROCESS, PAY ANNUAL FEES OR NEED TO SECURE THE LIABILITY INSURANCEthat runs \$1789./year for us!!
SO NOT FAIR

** STRH are RESTRICTED TO LOWER GUEST OCCUPANCY THAN
Condos and Hotels.

** I believe the FOCUS SHOULD BE ON THE NON PERMITTED
OPERATORS at this point.

THE ILLEGALS WILL ENJOY YET A BETTER COMPETITIVE
ADVANTAGE OVER THOSE OF US THAT WENT THRU THE
PERMITTING PROCESS AND PAY PAY PAY FOR EVERYTHING.
SO NOT FAIR!

IT IS REALLY NOT FAIR AT ALL TO INCREASE MY TAXES WHILE
IGNORING THE THRONGS OF ILLEGAL OPERATIONS.

We ELECTED YOU BECAUSE WE BELIEVED YOU WOULD BE FAIR and
HONEST in REPRESENTING ALL OF US ON MAUI.
THIS IS SO NOT FAIR.

PLEASE VOTE AGAINST THIS TAX INCREASE.

WORK ON ENFORCING THE PERMITTING PROCESS AND GETTING THE
NON PERMITTED TO CEASE AND DESIST.

OR get licensed AND PAY THE TAXES!

SUPPORT THOSE OF US THAT HAVE GONE THRU THE PERMITTING
PROCESS YOU HAVE CREATED.

Thank You,

Warm Aloha,
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