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With One Week Left Before the Close of the NYS Legislative Session, Legal Aid Urges Albany Lawmakers to Pass Good Cause Eviction Protection

Millions of Tenants Across New York Desperately Need this Critical Measure to Protect from Excessive Rental Increases and Displacement Amid Spiking Rents

(NEW YORK, NY) - The Legal Aid Society issued the following statement today urging Albany lawmakers to pass the Good Cause eviction bill (S2892/A5030) before the close of the legislative session next week. The legislation, a top issue in negotiation in the post-budget legislative session, would afford tenants in unregulated housing critical protections against excessive rent increases and guarantee lease renewals to tenants in good standing.

“New York is facing an unprecedented housing crisis and Albany lawmakers have an opportunity to provide meaningful relief to millions of vulnerable tenants who are in desperate need of increased protections amid spiking rents and unjust evictions.

Good Cause is a critical, common sense, and budget-neutral measure that has [support](#) in every corner of the state, including in moderate and conservative-leaning regions of the state. The bill is essential to ensuring housing stability across the State, and combating long-existing [racial inequities](#).

Housing is a human right and Good Cause underscores that. Albany lawmakers must prioritize keeping families in safe, quality housing without the fear of eviction and pass Good Cause immediately.”

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