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Statement on the City of Albany Appealing a Recent NYS Court Decision Which Struck Down its Local “Good Cause” Law

(NEW YORK, NY) – **The Legal Aid Society** released the following statement in response to the City of Albany [appealing](#) a recent New York State Supreme Court decision which struck down Albany’s “Good Cause” law:

“We applaud the City of Albany for appealing this wrongheaded decision, which grants a stay ensuring that local tenants can remain safely in their homes.

However, this should not supplant the need for lawmakers to enact ‘Good Cause’ statewide, especially as tenants in unregulated units throughout the state grapple with unprecedented rent increases and unjust evictions.

All New Yorkers desperately need these basic protections, and The Legal Aid Society calls on Albany to immediately prioritize ‘Good Cause’ when the Legislature reconvenes this coming January.”

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