

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

May 11th, 2021

To: Chief Clerk Sekerak

Re: Vote Explanation for SB 282A

Chief Clerk Sekerak,

Senate Bill 282A is the result of a robust, transparent workgroup process. The "compromise" makes few happy but is acceptable to all.

I voted in favor of SB 282A because it was a compromise. I believe we must begin to prepare for the end of the COVID-19 Pandemic realities. I believe we must do our best over the coming months to accelerate individual resilience in a world beyond this extraordinary time.

There will be an end to rent stabilization and subsidies based upon COVID-19 impacts. I do not believe I could or world, support an extension of the "grace period" (moratorium) beyond the February 28, 2022, sunset included in the text of SB 282A. However, for now, we must continue targeted assistance through measures such as this.

Respectfully,

Paul L. Evans

State Representative

House District 20