



Eviction protection re unlawful rent increases and peaceful assertion of rights

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Dear Los Angeles City Council and Mayor Bass:

An important issue that the Los Angeles City council and Mayor Bass should look at, is that when a tenant disputes an unlawful rent increase (*or any other issue for retaliation or discrimination*), and landlord starts eviction process, if the Judge sides with Landlord that the rent increase is NOT unlawful) improper, the Judge should ALWAYS give the option to tenant to pay the rent increase and stay at the premises. It seems still, that if a tenant disputes a UNLAWFUL RENT INCREASE, and Judge does NOT side with tenant, that the Judge can just kick the tenant off the property at their own discretion, over the \$100 or so dollars in dispute. **It is still far too easy for a landlord and judge to kick someone out of their home and make them homeless under false pretenses, or over a tenant's peaceful assertion of rights.**