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I read your article in the Bergen Record and have several comments. While I agree that evictions will cause a major problem in NJ, I do believe that something could have been done for the mom and pop landlords quite some time ago. Numerous calls have been made about this issue to the governor's office in the last year and have been totally ignored.

I have a good friend that is a landlord for a winter rental in Bradley Beach. The lease ended in May of 2019. Not only is her renter refusing to leave (according to him per Governor Murphy) but he also hasn't paid any rent in over a year. My friend pays all utilities. Her renter has also filed motions against her which were thrown out by a judge in a zoom meeting but this necessitated her getting a lawyer which is of course an additional expense. He has called the police because her granddaughter was making too much noise at 7 PM. He says she is harassing him.

I don't see where your 65 pages addresses her problem. I also didn't see a place for a landlord statement although one was supplied for a renter.

I really feel that these mom and pop landlord's cases can be handled now while you work on the large landlords that are impacting a much larger percentage of evictions..

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Thank you,  
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