



Government affairs action for the week of January 16, 2022

More Rental Restrictions May be Coming to Alameda County

As the second anniversary of the Alameda County Eviction Moratorium approaches, county staff are about to propose even more tenant protections. They want several ordinances adopted during the next three years that would apply to most rental properties in unincorporated Alameda County:

- A rental housing registry and "proactive" rental inspection program funded by a fee paid by rental housing owners;
- A "Fair Chance" ordinance that could prohibit rental housing providers from asking about and using criminal history and/or criminal background checks in their rental housing advertising, applications, tenant selection process or decision-making;
- A just-cause eviction ordinance that would include those living in their apartments for less than 12 months and those renting single-family homes.
- A "rent stabilization" (rent control) ordinance and rent review board.

On Monday, Jan. 24, County Housing and Community Development staff will present these tenant protection measures to the County Joint Health Care and Social Services Committee. County staff indicate the policies will be presented to the Unincorporated Services Committee on Feb. 23, and then to the County Board of Supervisors in March.

Decision makers need to hear from rental housing providers who feel these rules may impact their ability to stay in business. Please contact [David Stark](#) for information about sharing your concerns.

Free At-Home COVID-19 Test Available

Free at-home COVID-19 test kits are now available through the covidtests.gov website. One order includes four individual rapid antigen COVID-19 tests. There is a limit of one order per residential address. Place your order [here](#).

2022 Virtual Legislative Day

Take your virtual REALTOR® voice to Sacramento on March 2. [Register](#) today for the Legislative Briefing and other events. Details about virtual legislator office visits coming soon.

If you have any questions about Bay East advocacy activities or any government-related real estate issues you want Bay East to research, please contact [David Stark](#), Bay East Chief Public Affairs and Communications Officer.
