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I am writing to submit my comment about the draft rules for STRs in Chelan County.

The idea of sunsetting non-conforming existing STRs is preposterous.

Regulating poor behavior by renters or landlords makes lots of sense as does creating some limits on the number of new STRs in the county.

However, forcing homeowners to stop renting will have dire economic consequences for many of them and the county will be facing innumerous lawsuits.

Existing STRs need to be grandfathered in if they are willing to follow other rules about health and safety, noise, parking etc.

If you force STRs to shut down what other private property rights now taken for granted will be eroded next? Why would any investor choose to spend money in a county with such unpredictability?

The sunset clause in the existing draft language is the one non-negotiable item that no STR owner will find acceptable. Passing this rule will only lead to years of litigation and the related uncertainty.

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