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**Representing:** CTU Local 1

**Supporting:** HB-5574 HA 1 Emergency Rental and Homeowner Protection Act

**Testimony:**
As an teacher of CPS, luckily I have been able to maintain a work schedule and a salary, but I have seen how the inequities of our society has been exacerbated by the pandemic crisis and cast severe economic, social, and epidemiological strife on the community I serve. Family members have died for lack of sufficient healthcare. Children do not have access to basic materials needed to participate in remote learning. This bill is an opportunity to move forward in resolving the cruel inequities that existed well before the pandemic.