Like many other parts of the country, Connecticut’s growth has resulted in significant housing affordability challenges. Combatting housing affordability issues in the state will require holistic solutions that address the needs of all Connecticut residents.

Connecticut is home to over 3 million people. More than 372,000 Connecticuters call an apartment home, with demand on the rise. 67% of extremely low-income renters spend more than half of their income on housing. Between now and 2030, Connecticut will need to build 2,000 new apartment homes each year to keep up with demand.

Legal Landscape

The state of Connecticut preempts local municipalities from implementing rent control. This is established in case law Old Colony Gardens, Inc. v. Stamford, 147 Conn. 60 (Conn. 1959).

CONTINUE PREEMPTION
Rent control is an outdated concept. It benefits the very few.

REJECT PRICE CONTROLS
Lawmakers should reject price controls and, instead, pursue alternatives such as voucher-based rental assistance for those in greatest need to better address housing affordability.

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