



Improving habitability & Quality of life

FOR HOUSTON TENANTS

Apartment Inspection Reform

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Apartment Inspection Reform (AIR)

Houston has the third highest number of occupied apartments in the country. Renters live in 55% of Houston's occupied housing stock. 40% of Houston's apartments were built between 1960 and 1979 when building safety regulations were especially lax. As of 2014, approximately 400,000 Houstonians have lived in these older apartments. Harvey amplified the scale and severity of the City's pre-existing unsafe building conditions. That is why I proposed Apartment Inspection Reform in June.



What is AIR & how does it help tenants?



Inspectors visit apartments to ensure they do not pose a health and safety risk to the tenants. All violating apartment complexes will register for the High Impact Program and shall pay a registration fee of \$250 annually.



When an apartment receives 2 or more citations within a given period that makes it dangerous, or impairs habitability, it will be subject to the annual registration fee and will have to register for the High Impact Program.



Apartment complexes will stay in the program until all issues are remediated and the fee will be charged every 12 months until all the issues are addressed.

Just 68 cents per day or \$250 per year can mean the difference between living in an unsafe, unhealthy apartment and a safe, healthy one.



Just \$250 fee, which is just 68 cents per day will fund the increased number of inspectors thereby ensuring that the program continue without having to rely on city budget each year for funding.



Every Houstonian deserves to live in a safe, clean, healthy home. The Apartment inspection reform will improve the quality of life for tenants, will reduce crime, and will positively impact the aesthetics of Houston

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My Apartment Inspection Reform will be presented at the ARA Committee on **Tuesday, October 12th. This is an open meeting with an opportunity for the public to make statements.**

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