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Hoylman Blasts Senate Republicans on Expiring Rent Laws

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Hoylman: "Senate Republicans are toying with the lives of more than two million New Yorkers"

ALBANY - State Senator Brad Hoylman said: "Tonight, by allowing New York's rent laws to expire, State Senate Republicans are toying with the lives of more than two million New Yorkers. Rather than renewing and strengthening these important laws, my misguided Republican colleagues have passed phony 'one house' legislation that would fundamentally undermine the rent laws themselves.

"I have 50,052 rent-regulated apartments in my district – the fifth most in the state -- so the expiration of the rent laws is of tremendous importance to my constituents and me. I got arrested in the Capitol building last week in an act of civil disobedience alongside 54 protestors and elected officials to demand that Albany take action.

"Unfortunately, the legislature has failed to act in a timely fashion. We should stay in Albany and not leave until we accomplish the critical mission of protecting this crucial component of affordable housing for New Yorkers."