



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

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Testifying On Proposed Changes to Mitchell-Lama Rules

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On November 6, Assembly Member Brian Kavanagh and I submitted testimony to the New York City Department of Housing Preservation and Development on the agency's **proposed changes** to the rules governing Mitchell-Lama developments. We raised particular objections to the proposed amendments affecting succession rights; establishing procedures for the reconstitution of Mitchell-Lama coops as Housing Development Fund Companies; and weakening the priority for veterans. Such changes would harm Mitchell-Lama tenants and cooperators who have long abided by the rules and embraced the spirit of the program, and undermine the preservation of our vital affordable housing stock. Please see our testimony attached.