

House General Laws January 23, 2025

Housing and Consumer Protection Subcommittee

HB2218Virginia Residential Landlord and Tenant Act; rental payment methods.

The League of Women Voters of Virginia supports HB 2218 because:

- Some low-income tenants, especially elderly ones, do not use banks and must pay rent and other bills with cash or money orders.
- Landlords can now charge a fee eg. \$10-\$15 if tenants pay using an online portal or credit card.
- HB2218 would also require receipts to be given if a tenant pays with cash or a money order.

We believe this would protect the tenants and ensure landlords are paid the rent they are owed.