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Subject: RE: landlord deposit rules

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The people making rules should have a better understanding of both sides of the problems.

Landlords receive applications which must be processed to verify the ability of applicants to pay the rent and fulfill their obligations during their occupancy.

This costs the landlord time and money.

Not all applicants are honest in the information they provide on the application.

Not all applicants are found to be suitable, either due to ability to pay or historical lack of responsibility with regard to the lease terms.

To require the landlord to refund application fees in these cases is unfair to landlords, who have spent time and money in the process.

The local government (city of Ann Arbor) does not refund applicant fees when they deny an application. Why hold landlords to a higher standard?

The recent spate of landlord related rules seem designed to drive small landlords out of the marketplace.

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