

6 Experts Available for Timely Analysis on Bipartisan Housing Bill

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Yesterday, the House passed a housing package aimed at addressing affordability and supply, while the Senate is advancing its own bipartisan bill focused on expanding housing production and lowering costs. With lawmakers now working to reconcile the two proposals and send a unified package to President Trump, many questions remain about what these changes could mean for renters, homeowners, and local housing markets. For reporters covering these developments, the following experts are available to comment.

HILARY BOTEIN

CUNY Bernard M. Baruch College



Botein's research focuses on the factors that influence urban development; with special attention to the social politics of policies and programs underlying affordable housing and community development. She serves as a public member on the New York City Rent Guidelines Board; which determines rent adjustments for all rent-stabilized apartments in New York City.

PRENTISS ALAN DANTZLER

University of Toronto



Dantzler's research examines how and why neighborhoods change and how communities and policymakers create and react to those changes. Overarching themes in Dantzler's writings include urban poverty, race and ethnic relations, housing policy, and community development.

BRYAN PATRICK GRADY

South Carolina Department of Employment and Workforce



Grady's research focuses primarily on measures of housing affordability and the provision of affordable housing resources. In his current role, Grady serves as an expert on housing conditions in South Carolina and advises his colleagues at SC Housing on policy development.

PATRICIA LEWIS

Sacred Heart University



Lewis situates herself as a community-engaged Connecticut scholar who focuses on the intersections between housing and gender equity. She engages with community partners in Bridgeport to address housing affordability and equity issues, particularly in the area of public housing.

STAN NGUYEN OKLOBDZIJA

University of California-Riverside



Oklobdzija's research focuses on interest groups and money in politics in both state and federal elections. He has special topical expertise in both housing and California politics.

VALERIE E. STAHL

San Diego State University



Stahl's mixed-methods research focuses on three key areas of urban planning and policy: public and affordable housing, community engagement, and zoning. She observes these issues through the lens of racial and economic (in)justice in planning, primarily focusing on planning processes in neighborhoods that are facing pressures of austerity, gentrification, and displacement.