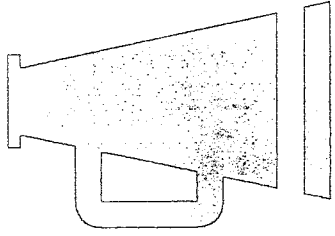


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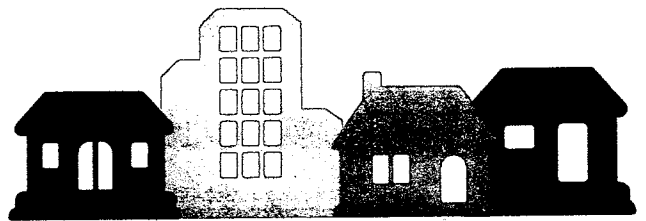


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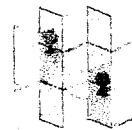
On [date], [Cook County Board President Preckwinkle] sponsored and introduced a countywide amendment that will ensure that people with records have equal access to stable housing opportunities.

The Just Housing Amendment will:

- Ban discrimination in real estate transactions based on one's covered criminal history
- Help reduce recidivism and make Cook County a safer place
- Protect children and families from the consequences of housing instability

This isn't a new idea

Other jurisdictions in Illinois already offer protections for people with records. In municipalities like Urbana, IL, people with records are considered a protected class in housing-related transactions, and the use of criminal histories in housing decisions is expressly prohibited.

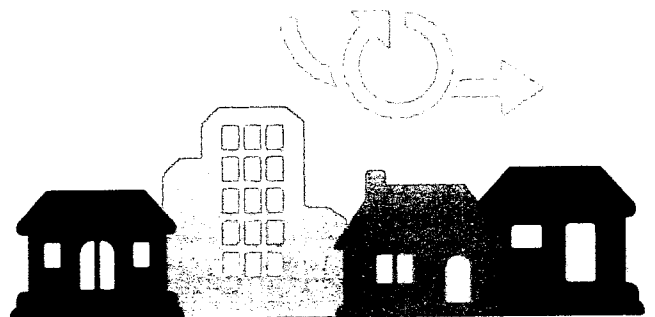


This is a common sense, basic step

We all want to live in a fair, safe community where people can build good lives.

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1 in 3 Americans has an arrest record



Nearly 50% of children have a parent with a record



Housing policies that ban people with records harm people of color and people with disabilities the most.



People re-entering their communities with access to stable housing are 7x less likely to recidivate than those facing homelessness

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Fact sources: *The Sentencing Project, Vera Institute of Justice, Center for American Progress*