

HB 748 -- Tenant Liability for Rent

Sponsor: Cross

This bill specifies that a tenant of residential property who intentionally leaves without paying all current and past due rent will be guilty of a class A misdemeanor. The tenant has a defense to prosecution if he or she has provided the landlord with a security deposit equal to or exceeding the amount owed to the landlord, provides in writing to the landlord an accurate forwarding address, or pays all current or past due rent within five days after vacating the property.