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As Expected, Governor Newsom and Legislative Leaders Announce Eviction Moratorium Extension, But Increase Reimbursement for Rent and Utilities Relief

Governor Gavin Newsom and legislative leaders of both the Senate and the Assembly last Friday announced a proposed extension of California's statewide evictions moratorium, and an increase in compensation for California's rent relief program.

The three-party agreement on AB 832 – which extends the current eviction moratorium through September 30, 2021 – will ensure that California quickly uses the more than \$5 billion in federal rental assistance to help the state's tenants and small landlords and protect vulnerable households from eviction. The agreement widens rental assistance by enhancing current law. Provisions include increasing reimbursement to 100 percent for both rent that is past due and prospective payments for both tenants and landlords. Additionally, the bill ensures rental assistance dollars stay in California by prioritizing cities and counties with unmet needs, and uses the judicial process to ensure tenants and landlords have attempted to obtain rental assistance.

To view the details on the proposed extension on AB 832, [click here](#). To apply for rental assistance for either renters or landlords, visit housing.ca.gov/covid_rr/index.html.

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