## **Legislature - First Session - 2019**

**Introducer's Statement of Intent** 

## LB433

**Chairperson: Senator Steve Lathrop** 

**Committee: Judiciary** 

Date of Hearing: March 01, 2019

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

LB433 requires that a landlord return the balance of a tenant's security deposit and a written itemization within fourteen days after the date of termination of the tenancy. Currently, a tenant must first request the balance be returned to them.

The bill also provides that a tenant does not have to pay for damages that result from their removal from the unit by order of a governmental entity because it was not fit for habitation due to negligence or neglect of the landlord.

This bill adds liquidated damages of one month's rent and court costs to what the landlord already owes the tenant for violating this section, which is the security deposit balance and reasonable attorney's fees.

Principal Introducer:	
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