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California's New Statewide "Just Cause Eviction" And "Anti-Rent Gouging" Law

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With the enactment of Assembly Bill 1482, signed by Governor Newsom in October 2019, the California legislature imposed a "just cause" limitation on lease terminations, non-renewals, or evictions for most California residential landlords, and also imposed a cap on the amount of annual rent increases allowable for many of the same landlords. Although several large California cities have long-standing rent control ordinances that impose varying degrees of rent increase protection for tenants and typically include "just cause eviction" limitations, this is the first state-wide limitation of this nature.

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