



Letters to the Editor:

Beachfront housing for \$215 per month? Only if you're a state worker

- 1 Kudos to *The Times* for its exposé on yet another government scandal: the ability of some public employees to pay very low rent to live in state-owned homes in highly sought-after recreational areas. 11-1 Thanks for keeping the fire underneath the heels of our state agencies. I suspect that there will be a treasure trove of yet more unethical behavior if you dig deep enough.

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- 2 I read your article on state parks employees' housing perk. It seems we have a case of jealousy here. Someone is getting something I'm not. Oh no.
With the low pay and long hours these public servants put in day after day, having discounted housing on site so they can watch over our spectacular scenic resources where they live should be considered part of their pay. It would have been nice to have someone at the Mitchell Caverns in the Mojave Desert a few years ago. After the rangers who patrolled the area retired in 2010 and were not replaced, vandals carted off everything from electrical wiring to diesel generators. When an emergency is in progress every second counts, and having someone on site to watch over everything is a necessity nowadays. With all that is happening in the world right now, is someone getting an employee perk really this important? 11-2

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