Attitudes and Actions of Homeowner Activist Leaders in Contemporary China*

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Abstract
This article draws on survey and interview data in Beijing and Guangzhou to examine the attributes, political attitudes, and political actions of homeowner activist leaders. Homeowner activist leaders are not agents of broad democratization. Instead, they are found to be supportive of Communist Party rule and value societal stability. In addition, homeowner activist leaders act like interest groups and actively seek to influence both national and local policy making. They also actively engage in expanding networks among homeowner activists and establishing forums to exchange experiences in homeowner activism. The political attitudes of homeowner activist leaders differ across localities. Compared to those in Beijing, Guangzhou homeowner activist leaders are more satisfied with government performance.

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