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Subject: Submission on the Housing Legislation Amendment Bill 2021 and the Residential Tenancies and Rooming Accommodation (Tenants' Rights) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2021

Dear Christopher Whiting MP,

Dear Committee

Please find my submission the Housing Legislation Amendment Bill 2021 (The Bill).

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The Bill fails to meet its key stated objectives. In particular it fails to ensure that vulnerable community members are supported to sustain tenancies. It also fails to remove the ability of lessors to end tenancies without grounds.

I want to see the following changes in the Bill.

NO UNFAIR EVICTIONS. The grounds to end a tenancy, for 'end of a fixed term', must be removed as a matter of priority before the legislation is passed. As it is, the Bill will increase the reasons why renters can be evicted at no fault.

Lease notification to end without cause was given to us in the correct time we applied for rental by same manager we have financial issues to raise the rental of two weeks no one assisted us to get help

I am in waiting queues for hours at housing

I waited 5 hours for a form that was not available I was told come back next week we need to be vacated today I can't leave my property on the lawn reagent suggested to move to a storage shed I don't have financials for that we need a home not a shed so many proper applied for homes I apply and get told sorry it's taken

I even was approved to a house because we cannot pay the two weeks up front we got denied by the agency I asked for proof she basically told me get out of the house or she will call police wit a warrant of possession she was rude and angry at me for asking. Questions she said she didn't care of anything she ruined me I didn't want to move why the won't can't sell on line this house we have applied for 35 homes not one approval other than the one whatcha

the agency stuffed me about made me take a week of my casual work off to move onto a home that wasn't ready now I am

Here stuck what to do I wait Monday she told me we won't get our bond back but I mowed laws so cleaned the home better than it was before we moved into it

ALLOW MINOR MODIFICATIONS. Being able to personalise and make safe my home is an important reform which should be included. The Bill must allow renters to undertake minor health, safety, accessibility and security modifications without prior approval, and minor amenity and personalisation changes with a short notification.

MAKE IT EASIER FOR PEOPLE AFFECTED BY DOMESTIC & FAMILY VIOLENCE. I support the government's proposals around domestic and family violence but they must also include the ability to install security measures without prior consent. This is a vital safety protection for people experiencing DFV.

LET RENTERS CHOOSE TO KEEP PETS. The Bill will go some way to support pets but they will still see renters with pets vetted out at application time, and allow conditions where the average dog or cat must live outside. The Bill must be changed to start with an assumption that renters can keep pets if they choose; require the lessor to seek orders to restrict pets if there is a dispute, and declare any previous pet conditions upfront.

We need real change for renters that brings stability and the ability to make a place our home.

Yours sincerely,

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