



Petition

Registration No.	46
Title	Request to immediately repeal Sections 65A and 65B from the Residential Tenancies Act and revert to the former wording
Presented on	23 June 2020
Presented by	Member for Spillett
Referred to	Attorney-General and Minister for Justice and Legislation Scrutiny Committee
Assembly debate	If the Committee recommends the Petition be debated it will appear on the Notice Paper
Date referred	23 June 2020
Response due	Within 12 meeting days
Response received	
Response presented	

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WE THE UNDERSIGNED RESPECTFULLY SHOWETH

On Tuesday 18 February 2020, the Northern Territory Government passed the RESIDENTIAL TENANCIES LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2020 but did not pay heed to the advice of your own Legislation Scrutiny Committee in rejecting amendments to Section 65 of the Act. Instead the Government chose to ignore the findings of the Committee and stakeholders and push through Sections 65A and 65B.

The Government's actions in pushing through this legislation are not, as they would promote, about pet ownership - they are about stripping control from landlords over their own properties. That is wholly unacceptable and 8,385 signatories to this petition agree.

This petition is signed by a broad church of concerned Northern Territory citizens and investors. Citizens who are very concerned about how their rights and freedoms are being eroded by laws, introduced on ideological grounds. This petition is even signed by Tenants who feel that usurping the rights of a landlord or property owner will only lead to disharmony and chaos in the property market.

YOUR PETITIONERS THEREFORE HUMBLY PRAY THAT

The Northern Territory Government start behaving in a manner that benefits the people of the Northern Territory and not the predominantly transient population that make up tenants in the Territory, and repeal these nonsensical Sections of the Act without delay.

We call on the Gunner Government to honour the recommendations of the Legislation Scrutiny Committee and to immediately repeal Sections 65A and 65B from the Residential Tenancies Act and revert to the former wording.

AND YOUR PETITIONERS, AS IN DUTY BOUND, WILL EVER PRAY.

Response