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Ms Renae Jewell Standing Committee on Uniform Legislation and Statutes Review GPO: Box A11 Perth WA 6837

Dear Ms Jewell

Inquiry Name: Residential Tenancies Amendment Bill 2011

I apologise for my late submission.

I wish to draw the Committee's attention to Part III, section 22 (b) concerning representation in proceedings.

I am concerned that the words used exclude the tenant being represented by or assisted by a guardian or friend or relative.

There will be occasions when a tenant may need such representation; perhaps because he is socially or economically disadvantaged due to health or other circumstances.

The present draft wording requires that representative to be "employed or engaged by a non-profit association".

I respectfully submit that this is too restrictive and ask that alternative, less restrictive words are used.

Yours faithfully

Jeremy M. Price