

PE1447/F

Scottish Federation of Housing Associations Letter of 13 February 2013

This petition refers to short assured tenancies, which are mainly in use in the private rented sector. Our members in the social sector generally use Scottish secure tenancies and short Scottish secure tenancies. The grounds for eviction in this type of tenure are very clearly set out and generally work well.

Our sector's only current experience of short assured tenancies is where our members are involved in intermediate (sometimes called mid-market) rents. These generally last for six months, at which point they are either extended for a further six months or ended on the 'ish' date of the tenancy. We have not received any enquiries or complaints from our members in relation to the way short assured tenancies operate and would therefore not feel inclined to make any further comment in relation to this particular petition.

I trust this information is satisfactory, but please do not hesitate to contact me should you wish to discuss the matter further.

Kind regards

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