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Dear Janice,

### **Deliberations on the Private Tenancies Bill**

This response provides further information on two of the issues raised during the public session on 21 December 2021 with Departmental Officials and for which Committee requested a response before the Christmas break.

#### **Schedule 2**

At 16<sup>th</sup> December meeting Committee requested a written breakdown of each amendment and what it does and that this can be in the form of an updated EFM or a written briefing. Officials still need to finalise a revised EFM and to assist Committee have provided a written briefing outlining each amendment with an explanation of its purpose. This is attached at Annex A.

#### **Proposed Committee Amendment Clause 2 A – Unintended Consequences**

Committee asked officials to consider their proposed amendment on payment options. This is attached at Annex B.

A further response on any outstanding queries raised in your letter of 21 December will be provided before the next meeting of Committee on 11 January 2022.

If you require any further clarification, please feel free to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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