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## OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

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Attention: Mary Ellen Wellsch  
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Dear Madam:

Re: Proposed Amendments to *The Residential Tenancies Act, 2006*

I write on behalf of the CBA Saskatchewan regarding proposed amendments to *The Residential Tenancies Act, 2006*. In response to the request for consultation, we can advise as follows.

The CBA invited our membership-at-large and a number of sections to provide feedback on the proposed amendments, and can advise that detailed responses were sparse. However, the CBA can offer these general comments:

- The proposed amendments bring clarity to issues which are not currently well-defined in the Act and seek to streamline and modernize various procedural steps, in keeping with today's technology and new means of communication.
- The proposed amendments also seek to protect landlords and tenants alike from individuals acting in an inappropriate or mischievous manner when disputes or changes arise in landlord/tenant relationships.
- The proposed amendments are viewed as being positive and proactive legislative progress on behalf of both landlords and tenants.

The CBA Saskatchewan would like to thank the Ministry for providing our organization with the opportunity to comment on this legislative proposal. The CBA is a volunteer organization that is an essential ally to all members of the legal profession, and an important advocate for the profession. The CBA as an organization is committed to (a) enhancing the profession interests of a diverse membership of practitioners from both the public and private sectors, and (b) protecting the independency of the judiciary and the bar.

Yours truly,

Gail Wartman