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THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY
FOR THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

(As presented)

(Minister for Justice and Community Safety)

**Residential Tenancies (Amendment) Bill
1998**

**A BILL
FOR**

An Act to amend the *Residential Tenancies Act 1997*

The Legislative Assembly for the Australian Capital Territory enacts as follows:

1. Short title

5 This Act may be cited as the *Residential Tenancies (Amendment) Act 1998*.

2. Commencement

(1) This Act, other than sections 4 and 8, commences on the day on which section 3 of the *Residential Tenancies Act 1997* commences.

(2) Sections 4 and 8 commence on 1 July 1998.

10 **3. Principal Act**

In this Act, "Principal Act" means the *Residential Tenancies Act 1997*.¹

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4. Interpretation

Section 3 of the Principal Act is amended by omitting the definition of “approved mediator” and substituting the following definition:

5 ‘approved mediator’ means a mediator who is registered under the *Mediation Act 1997*.”.

5. Abandonment during fixed term

Section 62 of the Principal Act is amended—

(a) by omitting from paragraph (1) (a) “tenancy”; and

(b) by omitting from paragraph (4) (a) “residential tenancy”.

10 **6. Successor in title to lessor**

Section 64 of the Principal Act is amended by omitting from paragraph (1) (b) all the words from and including “within” to and including “entitled,”.

7. Applications for resolution of dispute

15 Section 73 of the Principal Act is amended by inserting in subsection (1) “residential” before “tenancy” (first occurring).

8. Repeal

Division 3 of Part VI of the Principal Act is repealed.

NOTES

Principal Act

1. Act No. 84, 1997. See also Acts Nos. 96 and 122, 1997.

Section headings

On the day on which section 62 of the *Residential Tenancies Act 1997* is amended by this Act, headings to sections of the Principal Act are altered as set out in the following table:

Section	Alteration
21	Before “tenancy” insert “residential”.
22	Before “tenancy” insert “residential”.

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