

Robicheau, Vanessa

Subject: RE: I support rental-housing licensing

From: Janet Woodward
Sent: September-15-13 1:05 PM
To: exodus; McHattie, Brian; Robicheau, Vanessa
Subject: Re: I support rental-housing licensing

I also support licensing of rental housing. It is long overdue and needs to be implemented as soon as possible.

Janet Woodward

----- Original Message -----

From: exodus
To: Brian McHattie ; vanessa.robicheau@hamilton.ca
Sent: Sunday, September 15, 2013 12:25 PM
Subject: I support rental-housing licensing

Yes, I support the licensing of rental housing. It is the only way to make all rental housing safe for residents and to maintain property standards. Present bylaws do not work at all well (complaints have to be made and landlords can refuse admittance to the rental housing); if enough people were to make complaints under present bylaws, it would add a burden to tax-payers in general as enforcement of present bylaws are not self-funded but paid for by all tax-payers.

Rental-housing licensing will not add a burden to tax-payers in general; it will be self-funding by fees levied. Absentee landlords do not generally show evidence of enough concern for their residents' safety or for maintaining property standards.

Malcolm Horsnell