

Economic Regulation Authority
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Dear Sir/Madam

RE: Shelter WA's submission on Draft Report of the Inquiry into Microeconomic Reform in Western Australia

We write to endorse Shelter WA's submission on the draft report of the Inquiry into Microeconomic Reform in Western Australia.

Tenancy WA Inc. is an independent not-for-profit specialist community legal centre. We provide free, quality legal services to residential tenants across Western Australia. As the Central Resource Unit, Tenancy WA also provides community legal education, professional development for tenant advocates, and law reform advocacy.

Keystart program

Tenancy WA supports the view that Keystart should not be abolished. This is based on the community outcomes that the program achieves for low to moderate income households in Western Australia.

As discussed by Shelter WA, Keystart has helped thousands of low to moderate income earners into home ownership, who would otherwise encounter difficulty securing finance. In addition, the program has consistently delivered profits to government and has been a source of alternative housing products.

Tenancy WA submits that it would be detrimental to the community to abolish the Keystart program, particularly where the financial and social benefits have not been considered in sufficient detail over the course of the Review.

If you would like to discuss this matter further, please contact Dean Tingey on (08) 6263 8588 or dean@tenancywa.org.au.

Yours sincerely

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