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### **WRITTEN SUBMISSION**

I would like to contribute my thinking on the Housing Bill going through our own Parliament. Here in Scotland. I aired some of these views at the presentation given by T.I.S. in Aberdeen.

My responses are in no particular order.

1. On the Abolition of the right to buy. Might I suggest a sliding scale of discount given to all Landlords whose properties come under the right to buy?  
Example. Full entitled discount till the end of 2015. Two thirds till end 2016. One third till end 2016. This would stop a rush at the end.
2. Social Housing. Clarification on the Under-occupying property What does this mean as a Homeless person is not under-occupying and property
3. Short Scottish Secure Tenancies. The probationary tenancy of 12 months is I think enough. BUT it should be made clear to antisocial tenant that any infringement by them or parties known to them causes any antisocial behaviour in the 12 months the consequences are dire with no redress. Now this tenancy should be extended to 18 months 1 misdemeanour should be allowed but the tenant be made aware that 1 more than it is one more and out. 18 months to 24 months 2 misdemeanour are enough 24 months to 36 months 3 misdemeanours only. Then a full tenancy could be considered with the antisocial tenant be visited on a sliding scale as they improve as a social tenant.  
Scottish secure tenancies. It is important that tenant's know about the assignation Tenancies. A tenant should be told that anyone staying with them would have to be considered on merit just like any other applicant. Although they should be given preference if behaviour is not antisocial.
4. Found guilty by tribunal. Participation. This tribunal should cover, the share issue if a council has not been paid. Councils should have the power if they have had no repayment on work undertaken they should through the power of the tribunal get full restitution. Either by renting property or selling it until full payment has been made.  
Arrears in rent should be paid in full. Tenant should be given a choice on how they are going to pay if found guilty by tribunal. Within a time limit. Landlord if found against should be given a time limit to resolve problem.

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