

# Transition from Director of Housing to Homes Victoria

*Residential Tenancies, Housing and Social Services Regulation Amendment (Administration and Other Matters) Act 2022*

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The Victorian Parliament passed the *Residential Tenancies, Housing and Social Services Regulation Amendment (Administration and Other Matters) Act 2022* (the Act) on 2 September 2022 and it received royal assent on 6 September 2022.

The following information relates to the moving from the Director of Housing to Homes Victoria.

## Transition from Director of Housing to Homes Victoria

The *Residential Tenancies, Housing and Social Services Regulation Amendment (Administration and Other Matters) Act 2022* (the Act) implements previous government decisions and announcements about the transition of the Director of Housing to Homes Victoria.

### How has the Director of Housing been repositioned?

Homes Victoria works to support all Victorians to have access to safe, secure and affordable housing. In November 2020, the Victorian Government announced the establishment of Homes Victoria to deliver on its record \$5.3 billion Big Housing Build investment – which will deliver more than 12000 social and affordable homes across Victoria.

Homes Victoria has been established as a reformed and repositioned Director of Housing to:

- support Victorians who are finding it difficult to secure stable affordable housing and help them live their best possible life
- manage the more than \$35 billion in housing assets that currently housing more than 112,000 Victorians
- renew and substantially expand those assets by ensuring the Big Housing Build is delivered on budget and on time
- make sure we have a sustainable housing system that can deliver for generations to come.

The Director of Housing was established by the *Housing Act 1983*, with its administrative functions and public housing tenancy management provided by the Department of Families, Fairness and Housing. The Director of Housing was a unique body corporate structure in Victoria functioning as both a body corporate sole and as an appointed individual.

The Act formalises the transition of the Director of Housing to Homes Victoria.

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The Act distinguishes between these roles by changing the name of the statutory office to 'Chief Executive Officer, Homes Victoria', and changing the name of the body corporate to 'Homes Victoria'.

## What is the impact on existing structures and contracts?

This name change does not impact the existing structure of the body corporate, or the objects outlined in the *Housing Act 1983*. This change does not impact existing contracts executed before 7 September 2022 or other documents using the term 'Director of Housing'.

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