

Explanatory Note: This Act amends the *Residential Tenancy Act*, the *Manufactured Home Park Tenancy Act*, and the *Strata Property Act* to eliminate “no pets” policies in tenancy agreements and similar prohibitions on the number and type of allowable pets in residences that are regulated by Strata Corporations. The Act also affirms the statutory jurisdiction of animal control authorities in removing animals from a person's residence for any reason(s) (i.e., the well being of the animal(s)).

HER MAJESTY, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, enacts as follows:

1 Sections 18 (1) (2) and (3) of the *Residential Tenancy Act*, S.B.C. 2002, c. 78, are repealed and replaced with the following:

18 (1) A provision in a tenancy agreement prohibiting the presence of animals in or about the residential complex is void.

2 Sections 18 (1) and (2) of the *Manufactured Home Park Tenancy Act*, S.B.C. 2002, c. 77, are repealed and replaced with the following:

18 (1) A provision in a tenancy agreement prohibiting the presence of animals in or about the residential complex is void.

3 Section 123 (1) of the *Strata Property Act*, S.B.C. 1998, c. 43, is repealed and replaced with the following:

123 (1) A provision in a Strata Corporation's bylaws prohibiting the presence of animals in or about the residential complex is void.

4 Section 3(4) of the Schedule of Standard Bylaws in the *Strata Property Act*, S.B.C. 1998, c. 43, is repealed.