19/257 Residential Tenancies Amendment Bill 2019 (relates to 19/258 Residential Tenancies Amendment Bill 2019)

Summary of Impacts

- The proposals have significant positive impacts for landlords and tenants in the ACT.
- There is no evidence to suggest that the proposals will have a negative environmental impact or economic impact.

Key to impacts: Red – negative, Blue – neutral, Green – positive.

Social

Justice and rights

- Fairness: the proposed amendments will allow tenants to make informed choices about their living arrangements, and will make sure that rental properties are of acceptable minimum standard and kept in good repair.
- Accessibility: the proposed amendments will make it easier for people to enter into the rental market.
- Transparency: the proposed amendments will make it easier for tenants and landlords to know their obligations and deal with each other with greater certainty.

Economic

Investment

• Nil. There is no evidence to suggest that the proposals will significantly affect investment in the ACT. The ACT has one of the lowest vacancy rates in Australia.

Environmental

Nil impact.