Renters' Rights Bill



The end of S21 **Eviction**

Section 21 will be abolished and you will only be able to evict your tenant with a specific reason listed in Section 8



All tenancies will become periodic

All tenancies will become 'rolling' and the tenant can leave at any time with 2 month's notice



Rent increases

There will be stricter rules on rent increases and rent payments in advance. Tenants will be able to challenge at the First-Tier Tribunal



New Eviction Grounds

You will need a specific reason to gain possession of the property. Eg sale, moving back in, rent arrears, antisocial behaviour



Tenants can request a pet

Tenants will have the right to request a pet. You can only refuse with a valid reason. You can ask for pet insurance



Property condition and repairs

A new Decent Homes Standard will apply to rental properties. Repairs like damp and mould will need to be fixed within strict legal timeframes



Discrimination

It will be illegal to reject tenants based on whether they have children or receive benefits



Adaptation requests

Tenants will be able to request reasonable home adaptations. A refusal will require valid reasons. Tenants will be able to appeal



Landlord Database

There will be a national database which all landlords will be required to register on



Housing Ombudsman

A new Housing Ombudsman will be created to deal with disputes. Decisions will be binding on landlords

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