



Niagara Regional Housing

# Notice

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**APPLICABLE TO:**

**DATE: November 13, 2013**

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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Co-operative
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<input type="checkbox"/>	OCHAP/CSHP
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**SUBJECT: *Bill 14 – Non-Profit Housing Co-operatives Statute Law Amendment Act, 2013***

## BACKGROUND

Bill 14 received royal assent on September 26, 2013. This legislation amends the *Co-operative Corporations Act* and the *Residential Tenancies Act* to move most co-op eviction disputes from the courts to the Landlord and Tenant Board (LTB).

Please visit [www.e-laws.ca](http://www.e-laws.ca) for the full details of the Act.

## REPORT

Bill 14 will benefit co-ops by improving the speed and fairness of the eviction process for co-ops and their members, reduce costs, and simplify internal co-op procedures. It will also provide relief to the over-burdened court system, reducing the costs to the public.

## Implementation

Work has begun to adapt existing Landlord and Tenant Board processes and systems to accommodate the eviction law changes for cooperatives, including training for LTB adjudicators.

The Cooperative Housing Federation Canada (CHF) is in the process of developing tools, guides, bulletins, and a new occupancy bylaw, in anticipation of the implementation date of mid-2014.

Please visit [www.chfc.ca](http://www.chfc.ca) for more information on the passage of Bill 14 and eviction law reform for co-ops.

## Service Manager’s Role

NRH will investigate the availability for CHF training on Bill 14 at our upcoming Spring 2014 forum.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this notice, please contact your Housing Administrator at (905) 682-9201.

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