Dear Colleagues,

**Bills in relation to local government and renting homes**

In the First Minister’s statement on the Government’s Legislative Programme on 15 July 2014, he indicated his intention to introduce Bills in relation to local government and renting homes.

Subject to the introduction of the Bills as planned, and the subsequent referral of the Bills by the Business Committee to the Communities, Equality and Local Government Committee (‘the Committee’) for Stage 1 consideration, we will issue a call for evidence on the general principles of the Bills. I am taking this opportunity to give you advance notice of our intentions because it is likely that we will issue a call for evidence for the general principles of these Bills in the spring term.

Details of these bills will be published on the Committee’s website once they are introduced.
Further information on how a Bill proceeds through the Assembly can be accessed here: http://www.assemblywales.org/bus-home/bus-legislation/bus-legislation-guidance.htm

I hope you find this advance notice helpful. If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me, or the Clerk to the Committee:
Sarah Beasley – 0300 200 6338 / seneddCELG@assembly.wales

The Committee would be grateful if you could forward a copy of this letter to any individuals or organisations that might like to contribute to the inquiry. A copy of this letter will be placed on the National Assembly's website with an open invitation to submit views.

Yours faithfully

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